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The following report on the Administration of Criminal Justice in the Province of Assam during the year 1890 has been prepared on the same system as former reports, and the statements which accompany it have been compiled in the form adopted in previous years. The reports of local officers on which it is based were, on the whole, punctually submitted.

Area, population, and jurisdiction. *Annual Statement 1.*

2. No change has been reported since 1887 in respect of the area or population of the Province, and the judicial divisions remained the same as in the past seven years.

I.—THE CRIMINAL COURTS.

3. As in previous years, two Sessions Judges and eight District-Magistrates (Deputy Commissioners) were employed in the Province. Of the latter, only one (the Deputy Commissioner of Sylhet) did not exercise special powers under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Act X of 1882.

Magistrates.

4. The distribution and class of the Magistrates employed at the close of each of the last two years are shown below—

	Stipendiary		Honorary	
	1889	1890	1889	1890
Assam Valley Districts . .	37	31	18	16
Sylhet and Cachar . . .	23	21	4	4
TOTAL .	60	52	22	20

Stipendiary Magistrates.

5. Of the 52 Stipendiary Magistrates thus shown, 36 exercised powers of the first class, 9 of the second class, and 7 of the third class. There was a decrease of one in the number of the Magistrates of the first class and a decrease of 5 and 2, respectively, in the number of Magistrates of the second and third classes. There was no change in the number of Magistrates in Goalpara and Darrang. In Kamrup and also in Sibsagar the number of Magistrates was reduced by two, and the Magistrates in each of the districts of Nowgong, Lakhimpur, Cachar and Sylhet were less numerous by one.

Honorary Magistrates and Benches.

6. As in the previous year, Honorary Magistrates were employed in all the districts of the Province with the exception of Goalpara and Cachar, but no Benches of Magistrates have as yet been constituted.

In Nowgong three Honorary Magistrates vested with powers of the third class decided 378 cases against 844 cases tried by the other Magistrates of the district, or nearly one-third of the total number disposed of. In Sylhet such Magistrates tried 435 cases concerning 623 persons, as against 483 cases and 641 persons in 1889. In Darrang, Sibsagar and Kamrup, Honorary Magistrates

disposed of, respectively, 46, 45, and 31 cases. In Lakhimpur, the work done was almost nominal, only two cases having been tried in the course of the year.

II.—CRIME RETURNS.

Offences reported and cases rejected. *Tables A & B.*

7. Tables A and B appended to this report show the respective numbers of offences reported, of cases rejected or struck off as false, and of cases accepted as true. The general results for the years 1889 and 1890 are compared below:—

	Offences reported	Rejected and struck off as false	Accepted as true
1889	28,253	8,026	20,227
1890	27,940	7,870	20,070

As compared with 1889, these figures show a decrease of 313 in the number of offences reported, of 156 in the number of cases rejected and struck off as false, and of 157 in the number of cases accepted as true.

The decrease in the number of offences reported occurred in Sibsagar (327), Kamrup (283), and Goalpara (263); while there was an increase in the remaining districts of Nowgong (233), Sylhet (113), Darrang (98), and Lakhimpur and Cachar (58 each). The decrease in Sibsagar appears to have been principally in the Jorhat Sub-division where in the previous year, the Deputy Commissioner reports, there had been an abnormal increase which was attributed to the effect of the cadastral survey operations. As regards the decrease in Goalpara, the Deputy Commissioner reports that land disputes, which in the past two years contributed very largely to the number of offences, fell off very considerably owing to the long-standing dispute between the Rani of Bijni having been brought to an end by a decision of the Civil Court. The increase in Nowgong is said to be due to a number of petty cases having been instituted under Section 188, and Section 379 and cognate sections of the Indian Penal Code, and under Section 34 of the Police Act, V of 1861.

Of the number of cases reported, the percentage rejected or struck off as false was 28·1 in the past, as compared with 28·3 in the previous, year. The following are the figures under each of those heads:—

	Complaints rejected	Cases struck off as false
1889	6,808	1,218
1890	6,873	997

The proportion of cases rejected and struck off as false was highest in Lakhimpur (36·1), and lowest, as in the previous year, in Goalpara (20·4).

Cases accepted as true.

8. The number of cases accepted as true was 20,070, or 71 83 per cent. of the offences reported in 1890, as compared with 20,227, or 71 5 per cent. of the number reported in 1889.

Details of cases returned as true and of persons convicted.

9. The following comparative statement shows in detail the number of cases returned as true, and the number of persons convicted during the past three years:—

	Cases returned as true			Persons convicted		
	1888	1889	1890	1888	1889	1890
Offences under the Penal Code .	14,065	15,230	15,099	6,949	7,116	6,906
Offences against special and local laws	4,379	4,997	4,971	3,731	4,191	3,766
TOTAL .	18,444	20,227	20,070	10,680	11,307	10,672

The decrease in the number of cases returned as true under the Penal Code was chiefly in respect of offences against property (178). This decrease was greatest in Kamrup (99) and Sibsagar (98); while Darrang shows an increase of 60. Offences affecting the human body, however, exhibit an increase, which occurred chiefly in Sylhet (272), and is attributed to "the increased prosperity and consequent ability to indulge in litigation among the cultivators."

The proportion of persons convicted in cases sent up as true shows a slight falling off.

10. The annexed Tables C and D furnish details for each district and exhibit the number of true cases and of persons convicted under each head of crime for each of the last two years. Details for each district. *Tables C & D.*

11. Only one offence against the State or relating to the Army or Navy was reported during the past year. It occurred in Lakhimpur, but it did not result in a conviction. Offences under Chapters VI and VII, Indian Penal Code.

12. The number of offences against the public tranquillity was 625 in the past, as compared with 662 in the previous, year. The variations in the different districts are too slight to call for remark. Offences under Chapter VIII.

13. The number of offences relating to public servants rose from 332 in 1889 to 384 in the past year. The only noticeable increase occurred in the district of Nowgong (67). Offences under Chapters IX and X.

14. Offences against public justice and false evidence increased from 325 in 1889 to 350 in the past year. The increase occurred chiefly in Lakhimpur (18). The variations in the other districts call for no notice. Offences under Chapter XI

15. The number of offences reported, relating to coins, stamps, and weights and measures, decreased from 76 in 1889 to 46 in the past year. The decrease occurred chiefly in Sylhet (17) and Sibsagar (14). Offences under Chapters XII and XIII.

16. The total number of reported offences affecting public health and decency was 175 in the past, as compared with 232 in the preceding, year. The decrease occurred chiefly in Sibsagar (27) and Sylhet (18). Offences under Chapters XIV and XV.

17. The total number of reported offences against the human body was 9,060 in the past, against 9,026 in the preceding, year. The principal increases occurred in Sylhet (101), Nowgong (66), and Darrang (53), while Sibsagar shows a marked decrease of 104. Offences under Chapter XVI.

18. The total number of reported offence sagainst property fell from 10,790 in 1889 to 10,510 in the past year. The decrease occurred chiefly in Kamrup (180) and Sibsagar (137). As already stated, the increase in Sibsagar in 1889 in this class of offence and also in offences affecting the human body was abnormal and is said to have been due to the operations connected with the cadastral survey. Offences under Chapter XVII.

19. The number of miscellaneous offences reported under Chapters XVIII to XXII of the Indian Penal Code was 1,242 in the past, as compared with 1,244 in the preceding, year. There was a decrease in only three districts—Lakhimpur (32), Kamrup (27), and Cachar (21). Sylhet shows an increase of 43 and the remaining districts slight increases varying from 5 to 16. The number of true cases was 560 as against 592 in 1889. The decrease again occurred in the three districts above mentioned and also in Darrang. Offences under Chapters XVIII to XXII.

The proportion of convictions to trials for offences under these chapters of the Code was 30·14 in the past, as compared with 31·8 in the previous, year. Goalpara, where 39·3 per cent. of the persons tried were convicted, shows the highest proportion, and Nowgong the lowest (19 35 per cent.). In the remaining districts it varied from 20 per cent. to 39 13 per cent.

20. The total number of reported offences against local and special laws decreased from 5,566 in 1889 to 5,547 in the past year. There was a decrease in Offences under special laws.

the districts of Goalpara (182), Kamrup (70), and Sibsagar (67) and an increase in the remaining districts which varied from 43 in Darrang to 97 in Sylhet. The Deputy Commissioner of Goalpara reports that "the cause of the decrease in offences under special laws is to be chiefly accounted for by the absence of any cases under the Artificers and Workmens Act under which there were 93 prosecutions in 1889, and under the Registration of Births and Deaths Act under which there were 14 cases instituted during the previous year."

Chief heads of crime.

21. The statement below shows the number of cases accepted as true, and the number of persons convicted under some of the chief heads of crime during each of the past two years :—

	Cases returned as true.		Persons convicted.	
	1889.	1890.	1889	1890
3, 4, 5. Offences affecting public tranquillity	542	516	1,063	1,019
9. False evidence	70	67	38	33
15. Offences affecting public safety	52	63	24	45
19. Murder	30	30	9	8
21. Culpable homicide	27	31	14	14
30. Serious hurt	85	93	74	102
31, 34. Simple hurt and assault	5,393	5,421	2,058	1,981
26, 27. Causing miscarriage	2	1	.	. .
40. Rape	11	18	5	4
42, 43. Theft	3,255	3,273	1,208	1,258
49, 50, 52. Dacoity	1	8	1	4
44, 47. Robbery and extortion	21	15	11	2
60, 61. House-trespass and burglary	1,127	1,070	188	209
58. Mischief (serious)	260	283	62	53
70. Offences relating to marriage	276	245	33	36

Cases of murder.

22. Of the 8 persons shown as having been convicted of murder during the past year, 4 were sentenced to transportation for life by the Courts of Session, 2 were sentenced to death and the sentence was confirmed by the High Court in the case of one and commuted to transportation for life in the case of the other. The remaining two persons, whose cases were referred to the High Court under Section 307 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, were sentenced to transportation for life.

In the following districts the most numerous murders were reported during 1890 and the year immediately preceding it :—

	Cases returned as true.		Persons convicted	
	1889	1890.	1889	1890
Lakhimpur	4	3	3	3
Sibsagar	5	6	4	4
Sylhet	15	12	0	0

Culpable homicide.

23. Cases of culpable homicide were reported from all the districts in the Province except Goalpara and Lakhimpur, the highest number appearing, as in the two preceding years, in the returns of Sylhet. Of 49 persons charged with this offence, 14 were convicted, 22 were acquitted, and 13 remained under trial at the close of the year.

Dacoity.

24. Cases of dacoity were reported from all the districts in the Province. Of the 21 persons charged with this offence, 4 were convicted, all 4 being in Goalpara, and the remaining 17 were acquitted.

House-trespass.

25. Only one case of house-trespass resulting in death or grievous hurt was reported during the past year and that occurred in Sylhet, but the person concerned in it was acquitted. Of the total number of persons brought to trial for house-trespass, 209 were convicted as already shown, 125 were acquitted, and 19 remained under trial at the close of the year.

The proportion of convictions in cases of this class brought to trial during the past year is compared with the corresponding results of 1889 in the annexed statement:—

	Percentage			
	Of cases brought to trial.		Of persons convicted.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Goalpara	15·2	23·9	57 1	93·7
Kamrup	30·0	29·2	81·08	43·7
Nowgong	28 5	34·2	60·0	72·7
Darrang	22·5	31·1	61·5	57·7
Sibsagar	26·6	35·5	68·2	53·5
Lakhimpur	15·1	21·6	53·8	73·1
Sylhet	9·8	12·7	68·0	55·7
Cachar	12·1	14·4	18 1	32 0

26. The statistics of offences relating to marriage show that of 635 offences reported during the year, 340, or 53·5 per cent., were either rejected or struck off as false. In the preceding year the percentage was 55·04. Offences relating to marriage.

The proportion of acquittals and discharges to the number of persons tried is given below —

	Percentage acquitted or discharged.	
	1889.	1890.
Goalpara	93·3	61·9
Kamrup	72·7	64·7
Nowgong	76·9	100·0
Darrang	100·0	100·0
Sibsagar	82·3	72·7
Lakhimpur	82·6	69·2
Sylhet	78·4	84·1
Cachar	78·2	66·6

27. The following are the principal special laws, breaches of the provisions of which are reported to have occurred during the past two years :— Special laws.

	Cases returned as true.		Persons convicted.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Artificers and Workmens Act	326	375	170	204
Emigration Act	930	1,049	907	861
Cattle Trespass Act	892	836	290	318
Excise Act	308	234	301	189
Municipal Acts	648	498	607	432
Police (District) Act	580	690	622	693

The increase in the number of infringements of the Artificers and Workmens Act occurred chiefly in Sylhet (64) and Sibsagar (49). The increase in Sylhet is attributed to a larger number of contracts having been entered into under the Act during the year "owing to the fear among the tea-planters that the garden coolies would be largely tempted away to work on the new railway to be made from Chittagong to Sylhet." No case was reported from Goalpara during the year, whereas 93 were returned in 1889. The increase in the number of cases under the Emigration Act was common to every district except Sibsagar and Cachar. It was greatest in Darrang and there was no such case in Goalpara. The decrease in the number of offences under the Cattle Trespass Act occurred in all the districts except Sylhet, where there was an increase of 63, and Darrang where the number increased by one. The increase in Sylhet is attributed "to the greater jealousy with which grass lands are

now watched by their owners." With the exceptions of Nowgong, where there was an increase of one, and Sibsagar, where there was an increase of 13, there was a general decline in the number of prosecutions under the Excise Act. The greatest decrease occurring in Darrang (45). In Kamrup, the number was the same as in the previous year. Prosecutions under the Muncipal Act increased in every district except Lakhimpur, where there was a decrease of 31, and Nowgong and Darrang in which no cases were reported. The greatest increase occurred in Goalpara (57). Cases under the Police Act increased in the districts of Nowgong (66), Cachar (59), Sylhet (20), and Kamrup (7), while the remaining districts return a falling off.

Miscellaneous cases under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

28. In Table F will be found the number of miscellaneous proceedings taken under the Code of Criminal Procedure during 1890.

Chapter VI. *Section 485.*

29. No proceedings under Section 485 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were taken against witnesses during the year under review.

Chapter VIII.

30. The number of cases decided and that of persons required to give security under Chapter VIII of the Code during the past two years were as follow:—

	Cases decided		Persons convicted	
	1889	1890.	1889	1890
Chapter VIII (Security for keeping the peace) . .	150	141	301	290
„ „ (Security for good behaviour) . .	50	111	29	73

As in previous years, the greater proportion of these cases is returned from Sylhet. The decrease in the number of cases in which proceedings were instituted to take security to keep the peace occurred in only three districts—Darrang, Kamrup and Nowgong; elsewhere there was an increase. Of 438 persons in the whole Province proceeded against, 290 were required to furnish security, and of this number 142 were bound down after conviction of offences actually committed. Proceedings in regard to security for good behaviour were instituted in 14 cases in the district of Sibsagar, in 4 cases in the district of Cachar in 2 cases in the district of Kamrup, and in one each in Goalpara and Darrang, while there were no such cases in Nowgong and Lakhimpur. Of the 73 persons who were required to furnish security for good behaviour, 40 were unable to furnish such security, 37 of whom were ordered by Magistrates to be imprisoned in default for terms not exceeding one year, and 3 to terms exceeding that period, the orders in the cases of these latter being confirmed by the Sessions Judges.

Chapter X.

31. Proceedings for the suppression of local nuisances were taken in 18 cases in the past, as compared with 12 in the previous, year. These cases occurred in Sylhet (13), Cachar (2), Lakhimpur (2), and Sibsagar (1). The total number of persons concerned was 41, and the orders initiating the proceedings were made absolute as against 19 of the defendants.

The number of cases referred under Section 138 of the Code was 11 in the past, as compared with 8 in the preceding, year. In all of these cases the jury either confirmed the orders of the Magistrate, or modified them so slightly that the alteration was accepted by the Court.

Chapter XII.

32. The number of cases instituted under Chapter XII of the Code of Criminal Procedure regarding the possession of tangible immovable property was 17 in the past, as compared with 11 in the preceding, year. These cases occurred in all the districts except Nowgong and Lakhimpur.

Chapter XX. *Section 250.*

33. The number of complainants ordered to pay compensation to accused persons against whom it was found that frivolous or vexatious complaints had

been lodged was 70 in the past, as compared with 62 in the preceding, year. Of these Nowgong contributed 26, Sylhet 12, and the remaining districts from 3 to 8. The amount of compensation awarded in this connection amounted to R421 in the past, as against R401 in the previous, year.

34. Three cases of Jurors or Assessors dealt with under the provisions of Section 332 of the Code of Criminal Procedure are reported in 1890, as against none in the previous year. These cases occurred in Sylhet (2) and Lakhimpur (1). Penalties were inflicted only in the two cases in Sylhet. Chapter XXIII *Section 332.*

35. Proceedings under Chapter XXXVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure were taken against 126 persons in the past, as compared with 127 in the previous, year. Of these 41 persons were ordered to pay maintenance and 85 persons were discharged. Cases of this class were most common in Sibsagar (35), Sylhet (22), and Nowgong and Lakhimpur (21 in each). Chapter XXXVI.

36. Proceedings for the forfeiture of bail or recognizances under Chapter XLII of the Code were taken against 176 persons in the past, as compared with 118 in the preceding year, and forfeiture was ordered in the case of 153 persons. As in previous years, Sylhet returned the largest number of these cases. There was an increase in all the districts except Nowgong and Kamrup which show a decrease, and in Goalpara where the number was the same as in the previous year. Chapter XLII.

37. The general results of criminal trials during the period reviewed is given in the following table:— Result of trials in all Courts. *Tables A1 & B1.*

	1889.	1890.
Acquitted or discharged	7,385	7,123
Convicted	11,307	10,672
Percentage convicted	60·4	59·97

The percentage of convictions to persons tried was smaller than in any of the previous six years. The proportion of acquittals was highest in Goalpara, being 47·8 per cent. The Deputy Commissioner explains that this "is due to strict scrutiny of the cases of persons brought to trial before the Criminal Courts, and probably also to the compromising of cases before the Courts."

38. Statement 8, which furnishes details as to the general results of the trials of European British subjects, shows that during the year under review 53 cases with 54 persons came before the Criminal Courts of the Province, the largest number being reported, as in the previous year, from Cachar (26): 11 cases were reported from Lakhimpur, 8 from Sibsagar, 4 from Sylhet, and 2 each from Nowgong and Darrang, none being reported from the two remaining districts—Goalpara and Kamrup. Trial of European British subjects. *Statement 8.*

As in previous years, the offences with which these persons were charged were chiefly under special and local laws and criminal force or assault. Of 24 persons charged with offences under special and local laws, 13 were reported from Cachar; and of 19 persons charged with assault, 7 were reported from Cachar, 5 from Sibsagar, 3 from Lakhimpur, 2 from Nowgong, and 1 each from Darrang and Sylhet. Six persons were charged with hurt—3 in Cachar, 2 in Lakhimpur, and 1 in Sibsagar. One person in Cachar claimed to be tried by a mixed Jury and 1 person in Lukhimpur claimed to be tried by a mixed body of Assessors. None of the cases reported were dealt with by an officer who was not himself an European British subject.

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III.—THE HIGH COURT.

39. No case against an European British subject was committed by the Criminal Courts in Assam for trial by the High Court in its Original Jurisdiction during the year under review.

IV.—COURTS OF SESSION.

Number of original cases. *Table K.*

40. Statistics of cases, inclusive of references under Sections 31 and 123 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, brought to trial, decided, and pending in the Courts of Session for the years 1889 and 1890, are given below—

	Brought to trial	Decided	Pending
1889	101	115	7
1890	89	85	11

It is observed that the smaller number of Sessions trials in 1889 has been further reduced. The decrease occurred almost entirely in Sylhet, as, with the exception of Sibsagar, where there was an increase of 9 cases, the variations in the other districts are hardly noticeable.

The following statement shows the number of days devoted by the Judge of the Assam Valley Districts, during the past 5 years, to the business in the Sessions Court :—

1886	65
1887	63
1888	95
1889	46
1890	69

The number of days occupied on Sessions trials was about the average of past years.

References under Section 34, Criminal Procedure Code. See *Statement 4.*

41. The number of references to the Court of Session for confirmation of sentences passed by Deputy Commissioners under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure was 13 in the past, as compared with 10 in the previous, year. All of these references were disposed of during the year. No such references were made during the past year by the Deputy Commissioners of Nowgong and Lakhimpur.

Average duration.

42. The average duration of cases tried on commitment and of references under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, disposed of by the Courts of Session in each of the last two years, is given below—

	Average number of days during which each case lasted					
	Assam Valley Districts		Sylhet		Cachar.	
	1889	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Cases of persons committed .	53 6	39 2	39 5	45 4	65·3	73 3
Cases referred under Section 34, Code of Criminal Procedure .	11·3	10 7	.	...	...	50

Number of persons committed.

43. Inclusive of persons whose cases remained undecided at the close of 1889, the total number of persons under trial in the several Courts of Session in the Province was 180. Of these 1 died, 166 were tried, and 13 remained under trial at the close of the year.

44. The result of trials in each of the past two years is shown in the following statement:— Result of trials as affecting persons. *Table G.*

	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Referred.
1889	82	112	4*
1890	83	78	5

* Revised figure.

45. Sentences of death passed subject to confirmation by the High Court, being included, the proportion of persons convicted was 49 07 per cent. in the past, as compared with 58·1 per cent. in the previous, year. This proportion was lowest in Sylhet (29·03 per cent.). No explanation of this result has been furnished. Convictions

46. Annual Statement 7 shows that in the Sessions Court of the Assam Valley Districts 30 cases were tried by Jury. In 24 of these the Judge approved of the verdict of the Jury, in 3 he wholly disapproved, and in the remainder he partially approved of the verdict. Cases in which the Judge wholly disapproved of the verdict of the Jury were referred to the High Court under Section 307 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the accused in 2 being convicted and sentenced to transportation for life and the other case remaining unheard at the close of the year. Jury trials. *Statement 7.*

47. The number of cases tried with the assistance of Assessors in the Sessions Courts at Sylhet and Cachar was 35 in the past, as compared with 78 in the previous, year. In 27 cases the Sessions Judge concurred with the Assessors, in 4 he differed from the opinion of one, and in 4 he rejected the finding of both. Trial by Assessors.

48. The number of witnesses examined in the Courts of Sessions was 478 in the past, as against 823 in the preceding, year. The decrease occurred chiefly in the districts of Sylhet (349) and Cachar (97). Witnesses examined. *Table J.*

The number of witnesses discharged without examination was 419 in the past, as against 620 in the preceding, year.

49. The amount of diet-money paid to witnesses attending Sessions was ₹1,050 in the past, as compared with ₹2,375 in the previous, year. Of this sum ₹227 were expended in the Sessions Court of the Assam Valley Districts, and the balance in the Sessions Courts at Sylhet and Cachar. Witnesses' expenses.

50. The total number of witnesses in attendance before the Courts of Sessions (inclusive of those discharged* without examination) was 897 in the past, as compared with 1,443 in the previous, year. Detention of witnesses. *Table K.*

	* Number of witnesses discharged			
	On the first day.	On the second day.	On the third day.	After the third day.
1889	844	498	50	51
1890	648	162	23	64

Of the 64 persons discharged after the third day, 54 were detained in the Court presided over by the Sessions Judge of Sylhet, who explains that this was owing to the duration of one trial extending over four days in which these persons were witnesses. As regards the remaining 10 persons, who were detained beyond the third day in the Sessions Court at Lakhimpur, the Judge of the Assam Valley Districts explains that the trial in which they appeared as witnesses lasted for six days.

V.—COURTS OF MAGISTRATES.

51. The number of cases brought to trial, decided, and pending in the Courts of Magistrates during each of the past two years is shown below— Number of cases.

	Brought to trial.	Decided.	Pending
1889	12,151	12,095	297
1890	11,853	11,802	318

The decrease in the number of cases brought to trial occurred in all the districts except Nowgong, Lakhimpur, and Cachar. It was most conspicuous in Kamrup (279) and Goalpara (135). In Nowgong there was a marked increase of 200 cases.

As the number of cases disposed of during the year was less than the number brought to trial, the pending files were heavier at the close of the year than at its commencement.

Summary trials. *Statement 4.*

52. The total number of cases tried summarily by Magistrates is shown in the following statement:—

	1889.	1890.
Tried under ordinary Procedure	8,275	7,568
„ summarily	3,820	4,234
TOTAL	12,095	11,802

It will be found that of the number of cases tried during the year, 35·8 per cent., as compared with 31·5 per cent. in 1889, were dealt with summarily. The increase occurred in the districts of Sylhet (373), Nowgong (324), Sibsagar (156), and Cachar (55), while a decrease is shown in the returns for Darrang (194), Kamrup (174), Goalpara (110), and Lakhimpur (16). Out of the 4,234 cases tried summarily, 382 were tried by the Deputy Commissioners of the six districts in the Assam Valley, 44 by the Deputy Commissioners of Sylhet and Cachar, and the remaining 3,808 cases by Assistant and Extra Assistant Commissioners exercising powers of the first class.

Disposal of cases.

53. The following statement shows the number of cases decided by the Courts of the several grades of Magistrates in the past, as compared with the previous, year:—

		1889	1890.
Subordinate Magistrates	Stipendiary	10,522	10,106
	Honorary	930	937
District and Divisional Magistrates	Cases referred under Sections 347, 349, Criminal Procedure Code	30*	15
Chief Magistrates of Districts	Under ordinary powers	570	699
	Under special powers	43*	45

* Revised figures.

References under Section 34, Criminal Procedure Code.

54. The 45 cases disposed of under the powers conferred by Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were distributed throughout all the districts in the Assam Valley and Cachar. The Deputy Commissioner of Sylhet has not been invested with such powers, there being a resident Sessions Judge in that district. The largest number tried in the Assam Valley Districts was in Darrang (11) and the lowest in Lakhimpur (5). In Cachar 3 cases were so tried, as against 2 in the previous year. Thirteen cases were referred to Courts of Session for confirmation of the sentences passed.

References under Sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code.

55. The number of references under Sections 347 and 349 of the Code of Criminal Procedure made by Subordinate Magistrates to the District-Magistrate with a view to the passing of severer sentences was 16 in the past, as against 30† in the previous, year. These cases occurred in the districts of Goalpara (4), Kamrup (4), Sibsagar (4), Sylhet (3), and Darrang (1).

Cases under Section 123, Criminal Procedure Code.

56. No cases were referred to Courts of Session under Section 123 of the Code of Criminal Procedure during the past six years.

† Revised figures.

57. The average duration of cases decided by Magistrates of each class in each of the past two years is shown below— Average duration of cases.

	Average number of days each case lasted.					
	Assam Valley Districts.		Sylhet.		Cachar.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Honorary Magistrates	3·9	4·9	8·75	9·1	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates	8·3	9·3	13·7	13·1	12·7	11·6
District Magistrates	7·2	5·8	2 7	10·7	11·6	8·9

58. The total number of persons under trial in the Courts of Magistrates was 18,343* in the past, as compared with 19,253 in the previous, year.

* These figures include remanets from the previous year, and also double entries in the cases of persons referred to another Court for a higher punishment and persons transferred from one district to another.

Details are given below of the manner in which the persons brought to trial during the past two years appeared before the Courts:—

	1889.	1890.
Under arrest	8,261	7,931
Upon warrant	1,714	1,774
On summons	7,945	7,349
Voluntarily	843	790
Total	18,763	17,844

59. Excluding the number of persons committed or tried by the Sessions Courts, the total number tried by the Magistrates during 1890 was 17,633, as compared with 18,495 in 1889 and 17,239 in 1888. Results of trials as affecting persons. *Table H.*

The results of trials in each of the years 1889 and 1890 are given below —

	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.
1889	7,301	11,194	208
1890	7,041	10,592	184

Of the total number of persons acquitted, discharged, and convicted, 60·07 per cent. were convicted, as against 60·52 per cent. in 1889. The districts in which the ratio of convictions was highest are Sibsagar (64·27 per cent.), Kamrup (64·07 per cent.), Darrang (62·51 per cent.), and Lakhimpur (61·1 per cent.). It was lowest in Goalpara (51·9 per cent.), and a falling off in this respect is reported from the following districts:—Darrang (to the extent of 7·4 per cent.), Goalpara (to the extent of 5·6 per cent.), Sylhet (to the extent of 1·9 per cent.), and Cachar (to the extent of 8 per cent.).

60. The mode of trial and the sentences passed in the cases which ended in convictions are shown in the following table:— Mode of trial and sentences passed. *Statement 4.*

	On regular trial.	On summary trial.
Appealable sentences passed	3,387	78
Non-appealable sentences passed	2,457	4,670
Total	5,844	4,748

On a comparison of these figures with those given in the report for 1889, it will be observed that the percentage of persons convicted on regular trial

who had the right of appeal, rose from 51·8 per cent. in 1889 to 57·9 in the year under review, while the percentage of persons convicted on summary trial and having that right fell from 1·9 per cent. in 1889 to 1·01 in the past year.

61. The following were the classes of Courts before which the trials resulting in the summary conviction of 4,748 persons were held :—

	Appealable sentences passed.	Non-appealable sentences passed.
Stipendiary Magistrates	72	4,216
District Magistrates	6	454
	78	4,670
	4,748	

The following comparative statement gives the result of trials during the past two years before the Magistrates of each class :—

	Acquitted or discharged.		Convicted.		Percentage convicted.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Honorary Magistrates . .	654	663	894	895	57·7	57·4
Stipendiary Magistrates . .	6,329	6,019	9,606	9,001	60·2	59·9
District Magistrates . .	308	359	694	696	69·1	65·9

Pending files. *Table I.*

62. Exclusive of lunatics, the total number of persons awaiting trial in Magistrates' Courts at the close of 1890 was 454. The details furnished on the margin show the nature of the orders under which their cases remained pending, and the following statement compares the duration of the pending trials in each of the past two years :—

In custody	58
On bail	315
On recognizance	35
Otherwise	46
	454

	1889.	1890.
More than 3 months	1	1
„ 2 „	4	5
„ 1 month	49	41
Not exceeding 1 „	423	407

The delay in the trial of a person, for over three months occurred in Sylhet; the explanation furnished failed to show that it was unavoidable.

Witnesses examined. *Table J.*

63. The total number of witnesses examined was 44,156 in the past, as compared with 49,324 in the preceding, year. The decrease occurred in all the districts except Nowgong, where there was an increase of 793. It was greatest in Kamrup (1,857), and Lakhimpur (1,658).

64. The number of witnesses discharged without examination was 12,607 in the past, as compared with 12,403 in the preceding, year. It thus appears that, although a smaller number of witnesses was in attendance, a greater number was discharged without examination, a result which cannot be regarded as altogether satisfactory.

Expenses of witnesses.

65. The amount of diet-money, &c., paid to witnesses during the past year was R919, or R250 in excess of the sum so paid in 1889. The increase occurred chiefly in the districts of Lakhimpur (183) and Cachar (117). The Deputy Commissioner of Cachar explains that the increase is "due to the fact that in

a case under Section 409, Indian Penal Code, a witness had to be called from Shillong, a journey of several days." No explanation has been given of the increase in Lakhimpur.

66. The figures reproduced on the margin show the detention of witnesses in the Courts of Magistrates during each of the past two years. The largest number of detentions for over three days occurred in Sylhet (32). In Nowgong 16 witnesses were detained beyond the third day, in Goalpara 14, in Sibsagar 11, in Cachar 10, and 4 in Darrang and also in Lakhimpur. In Kamrup no such prolonged detentions occurred. The detention of 16 witnesses in Nowgong occurred before the Deputy Commissioner, who explains that it was "mainly due to the Police sending up a big criminal case with 19 witnesses for the prosecution at a time when he had his hands full with some half-finished cases and other important work, and also that a Sunday intervened." No explanation has been furnished of the detention of 14 witnesses beyond the third day in Goalpara. The detention of 10 witnesses returned from Cachar occurred in the Court of the Sub-Divisional Officer at Hailakandi and is said to have been due to that officer's ill-health and his consequent inability to attend Court regularly. The Deputy Commissioner of Darrang explains that four witnesses, who were discharged after the third day, "were detained in a case on the file of his predecessor who was prevented by illness from disposing of it." As regards the detention of four witnesses beyond the third day reported from Lakhimpur, the Deputy Commissioner explains that "in two cases under Sections 409 and 411, respectively, 52 witnesses were produced for examination on both sides, and a great length of time was occupied in examining them." Detention of witnesses.

	On the first day.	On the second day.	On the third day.	After the third day.
1889 . .	53,212	7,446	998	71
1890 . .	46,924	8,364	1,384	91

Of the 32 witnesses detained in Sylhet, 20 were before Babu Ishan Chandra Patranavis, 4 before Babu Chandra Nath Nandi, and 8 before the Sub-Divisional Officer of Karimgunge. The explanations of Babu Ishan Chandra Patranavis show that in both of the cases in which these detentions took place he did not commence the trial until the second day for want of leisure, and that thereafter the proceedings were very desultory, sufficient attention not having been paid to the convenience of these witnesses. The explanation of Babu Chandra Nath Nandi would seem to imply that the witnesses were detained for several days because that officer was otherwise employed on Treasury and other Revenue work. It is difficult to understand that the pressure of such business should have temporarily closed his Criminal Court for more than three days, but, if that be so, he should have represented the fact to the District Magistrate, in order that some other arrangement might have been made for the prompt trial of the cases. The detention, under the circumstances, is not creditable. Nor is the detention of 8 witnesses for five days before the Sub-Divisional Officer of Karimgunge sufficiently explained, as it is difficult to understand how he could have been so continuously occupied on other business, so as to prevent his attending to these cases and so relieving the witnesses from the hardship of such prolonged attendance in his Court.

VI.—PUNISHMENTS.

67. The cases of two persons were referred under Section 374 of the Code of Criminal Procedure to the High Court during the past year for confirmation of the sentence of death. The High Court confirmed the sentence in the case of one person and commuted the sentence in the case of the other to transportation for life. *Statement 5* Death.

68. The number of persons sentenced to transportation by the Courts of Session was 30, of whom 11 were transported for life and 19 for various terms. Transportation.

Other sentences.

69. The character of the other sentences passed by the Courts of Session during the past year is thus returned —

Imprisonment	Rigorous	40
	Simple	1
Fine		1

Ten persons were sentenced to solitary confinement.

The periods for which imprisonment was awarded are given in the margin

Not exceeding 15 days	1
„ „ 6 months	6
„ „ 2 years	7
„ „ 7 „	27
Above 7 years	3

These figures include the sentences of rigorous imprisonment, varying from 3 to 7 years, passed by Sessions Judges upon 8 persons whose cases were referred by Deputy Commissioners under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. Four other persons, whose cases were similarly referred, were sentenced to transportation.

Fines (Sessions Courts). *Table L.*

70. The following table furnishes details regarding the fines imposed by Courts of Session during the past two years :—

	Imposed.	Realized	Paid by way of compensation
	₹	₹	₹
1889	440	123	59
1890	100	372	95

The only person fined by a Court of Session during the year, was so sentenced at Lakhimpur.

Statement 5. Punishments awarded by Magistrates.

71. The number of persons sentenced by Magistrates to imprisonment, fine, or whipping is thus returned :—

	1889.	1890.
Imprisonment	3,519	3,324
Fine	7,610	7,087
Whipping	268	294

72. Besides the persons so shown, 180 workmen were ordered to fulfil their contracts, 290 persons, of whom 142 had been convicted of offences involving a breach of the peace, were also required to give security or to enter into recognizances for keeping the peace, and 70 were required to furnish security for good behaviour, 37 of that number being, in default, sentenced to undergo imprisonment.

Imprisonment (Magistrates Courts.)

73. Of the 3,324 persons sentenced to imprisonment, 104 were sentenced to rigorous imprisonment combined with solitary confinement, 3,114 to rigorous imprisonment alone, and 106 to simple imprisonment.

Fines (Magistrates Courts.) *Table L*

74. The amount of fines imposed by Magistrates in the exercise of their original jurisdiction was ₹70,444 in the past, as compared with ₹68,537 in the previous, year, and the amount, inclusive of the arrears realised, aggregated ₹62,671, or 88·9 per cent. of the actual amount imposed during the year against ₹65,789, or 95·9 per cent., in 1889. The increase in the amount of fines imposed occurred in the districts of Sylhet (₹2,544), Sibsagar (₹2,077), Darrang (₹1,170), Cachar (₹936), and Lakhimpur (₹638); while the remaining three districts—Kamrup, Nowgong, and Goalpara —show a decrease of ₹1,954, ₹1,851 and ₹1,653 respectively. The proportion of fines realised to fines imposed was highest in Sibsagar (95·3 per cent.) and Kamrup (95·2 per cent.) and lowest in Darrang (62·5 per cent.). In the other districts it varied from 80·2 to 91·9 per cent.

75. The amount awarded as compensation was R9,382 in the past, as compared with R11,828 in the preceding, year. The decrease occurred in every district except Goalpara. Compensation.

76. A comparison of Table L I, appended to this report, with the corresponding table for 1889 shows an increase during the past year in the number of sentences of whipping. Particulars regarding sentences of whipping. *Table LI.*

In the following statement the number of sentences of whipping awarded in each of the past two years is compared with that of other punishments inflicted :—

	1889.			1890.		
	Total number of whippings awarded	Total number of other punishments.	Percentage of whippings.	Total number of whippings awarded.	Total number of other punishments.	Percentage of whippings.
Assam Valley Districts. Goalpara	21	531	3·9	23	308	6·9
Kamrup	29	968	2·9	7	796	·80
Nowgong	18	948	1·8	40	1,067	3·6
Darrang	42	937	4·4	22	789	2·7
Sibsagar	53	1,671	3·1	77	1,675	4·3
Lakhimpur	14	1,121	1·2	34	1,051	3·1
Sylhet	52	3,597	1·4	61	3,397	1·7
Cachar	39	1,266	3·08	30	1,295	2·2
TOTAL	268	11,039	2·4	294	10,378	2·7

The increase in the number of sentences of whipping was greatest in the districts of Sibsagar (24), Nowgong (22), and Lakhimpur (20), while the other districts show a decrease, *viz.*, in Kamrup (22) and Darrang (20). The ratio of whippings to other punishments was highest in Goalpara (6·9); in the other districts it varied from ·87 to 4·3 per cent.

YEAR.	Number of whippings inflicted	Number of convicted persons who rendered themselves liable to whipping.
1888	323	1,851
1889	268	1,829
1890	294	1,770

The figures given on the margin show the number of persons sentenced to whipping and the number of convicts who rendered themselves liable to this form of punishment during each of the years 1888, 1889 and 1890.

APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

VII.—THE HIGH COURT.

77. The number of appeals preferred, decided, and pending in the High Court during the past two years was as follows :— Number of appeals. *Table P.*

	Preferred.		Decided		Pending.	
	1889	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Assam Valley Districts	21	19	23	18	2	3
Sylhet	38	18	40	18	4	4
Cachar	7	2	7	2	...	...
TOTAL	66	39	70	38	6	7

The number of appeals preferred in 1890 was less than in any of the previous six years, except 1887. This decrease is contributed to by all the Courts of Session but chiefly by that of Sylhet.

Persons who appealed. *Table R.*

78. Of the appeals preferred, three were from sentences passed by Magistrates under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. No appeal has for the past three years been preferred by the Local Government against a judgment of acquittal by any of the Sessions Courts in the Province.

The statement below shows the number of appealable orders passed in each of the past two years :—

		1889.	1890.
Persons convicted (in whose cases the sentence passed was appealable)	By Deputy Commissioners in the exercise of special powers under Section 34 .	30*	31
	By Courts of Session . .	94	42

* Revised figures.

The decrease in the number of appealable sentences passed is probably the cause of the falling off in the number of appeals preferred.

Results of appeals as affecting cases.

79. The following statement shows the results of appeals decided during each of the past two years :—

	Assam Valley Districts.		Sylhet.		Cachar.		TOTAL.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Conviction affirmed . .	17	11	33	6	5	2	55	19
„ reversed . .	...	...	2	4	...	...	2	4
„ varied . . .	6	5	5	8	2	...	13	13
Re-trial ordered . . .	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Otherwise decided . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

There were no appeals against the sentences of the Sessions Court at Darrang.

The 16 appeals in 1890 against the sentences of the Sessions Courts in the Assam Valley Districts, where cases are tried by Jury, came from Sibsagar (8), Lakhimpur (3), Kamrup and Nowgong (2) each, and Goalpara (1). In addition to these, 1 was pending from the previous year from Sibsagar. The orders in 8 cases were affirmed, 5 from Sibsagar, and 1 each from Goalpara, Kamrup and Lakhimpur; in 4 they were modified, being from Kamrup, Nowgong, Lakhimpur and Sibsagar; in 2 cases re-trials were ordered; and 3 appeals remained unheard at the end of the year. Three appeals were also presented to the High Court from sentences passed by Deputy Commissioners in the exercise of the powers conferred under Section 34 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 2 from Goalpara, from which district also 1 appeal was pending from the previous year, and 1 from Sibsagar. The orders in two of the cases from Goalpara and the order in the case from Sibsagar were all affirmed, and that in the third case from Goalpara was modified.

Eighteen appeals were filed during the year against the sentences of the Sessions Judge of Sylhet and 4 were pending from the previous year. The orders of the Sessions Court were affirmed in 6 cases and modified in 8; in 4 the orders were reversed, and 4 appeals remained untried at the close of the year. Two appeals were preferred from Cachar, and in both cases they were dismissed.

80. The results of appeals during the past two years as affecting the persons convicted are given below— Results of appeals as affecting persons. *Table Q.*

	Persons involved.	
	1889.	1890
Appeals rejected	37	21
Sentences confirmed	85	7
„ enhanced	...	1
„ reduced or altered	17	16
„ reversed or quashed	13	7
New trial ordered		2

81. The results of admitted appeals are thus shown :— Results of admitted appeals.

	Percentage			
	Jury Districts (*i.e.* Assam Valley Districts)		Assessor Districts (*i.e.*, Sylhet and Cachar)	
	1889.	1890.	1889	1890.
Order of Lower Courts affirmed .	35 7	30	58·8	17 3
Sentence reduced . . .	61 3	50·	15 7	...
„ reversed . . .			25 5	30 4
New trial ordered . . .	...	20·	...	52 1

VIII.—APPELLATE COURTS SUBORDINATE TO THE HIGH COURT.

82. The following comparative table shows the number of appeals preferred to, decided by, and pending before Courts of Session and District-Magistrates' Courts during the past two years :— Appeals filed, decided, and pending. *Table M.*

	Filed		Decided		Pending.	
	1889.	1890.	1889	1890	1889	1890.
Courts of Session . . .	641	539	656	543	11	9
„ District-Magistrates .	279	316	273	312	8	12
Total .	920	885	929	885	22	21

The decrease in the number of appeals to Courts of Session occurred in all the districts except Sibsagar and Cachar, and was greatest in Sylhet (91). In Sibsagar there was an increase of 14 and in Cachar an increase of 32 cases. The variations in the number of appeals is apparently accounted for by an increase or decrease in the number of Magistrates of the first class, whose sentences are alone appealable to the Court of Session.

The increase in the number of appeals filed in the District-Magistrates' Courts is most conspicuous in Sylhet (67) and Kamrup (26); while on the other hand Cachar shows a decrease of 36 cases.

83. The number of persons who appealed in 1890 was 1,431, or 41·2 per cent. of the total number of those on whom appealable sentences were passed The corresponding percentage for 1889 was 40·6. The orders of the Lower Courts were upheld in the cases of 836 persons, or 58·1 per cent. of the number whose appeals were heard. The percentage in 1889 was 63·6. Ratio of appeal to persons having the right of appeal. See *Table O.*

The results were most favourable to the Lower Courts in Lakhimpur, where 70·8 per cent. of the sentences were confirmed, and least so in Goalpara, where the percentage was 39·02.

The following statement shows in greater detail the results of the appeals decided during the past year:—

		Appeals rejected or sentence confirmed.	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentence reversed or proceedings quashed.	New trial or further inquiry ordered.
Valley Districts.	Magistrates' Courts	81	18	46	...
	Courts of Session	138	81	47	
Sylhet and Cachar.	Magistrates' Courts	228	75	84	...
	Courts of Session	389	90	151	9
Total	Magistrates' Courts	309	93	130	...
	Courts of Session	527	179	198	9
	Grand Total	836	264	328	9

SUPERINTENDENCE, REFERENCE AND REVISION.

IX.—THE HIGH COURT.

Number of cases. *Table R.*

84. The number of criminal cases from the Province of Assam dealt with by the High Court as a Court of Reference during the past year is shown below—

	Pending, 1889.	Filed, 1890.	Disposed of, 1890	Pending, 1890.
References under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code	...	3	2	1
" " " 341, " " "	...	...	...	...
" " " 374, " " "	...	2	2	
Total	...	5	4	1

References under Sections 307 and 341, Criminal Procedure Code.

85. Three references under Section 307 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were made during the year by the Judge of the Assam Valley Districts, two from Lukhimpur and one from Darrang. In two cases the High Court, in accordance with the opinion of the Sessions Judge, convicted the accused and sentenced them to transportation for life; the third case remained undecided at the close of the year. No case under Section 341 of the Code was referred during the year by any Court in the Province.

References under Section 374, Criminal Procedure Code.

86. The cases of two persons were referred during the past year under Section 374 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for confirmation of the sentence of death, one from Goalpara and the other from Lakhimpur. In one case the sentence was confirmed and in the other it was commuted to transportation for life.

References under Sections 435 and 438, Criminal Procedure Code.

87. Seventy-four cases were dealt with by the High Court in the exercise of its powers of revision, and of these 33 were referred under Section 438 of the Code by District Magistrates and Sessions Judges, and two under Section 526, the remaining 39 being taken up by the Court *suo motu* under Section 435. In 1889, 22 cases were dealt with under Section 438 and 40 under Section 435. Four cases were pending on the files at the close of 1890.

The 39 cases dealt with by the High Court without reference under Section 435 during 1890 concerned orders passed by the following officers:—

Judge of the Assam Valley Districts at Sibsagar	1
Sessions Judge of Sylhet	1
Deputy Commissioner of Goalpara	10
" " Kamrup	5
" " Nowgong	3
" " Sibsagar	5
" " Sylhet	11
" " Cachar	3
	39

Of the 33 references under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure dealt with during the year, 17 were received from Sylhet, 7 from Cachar, 3 each from Kamrup and Sibsagar, and 1 each from Goalpara, Darrang and Lakhimpur.

88. The following statement shows in detail for each district the results (as affecting cases) of the proceedings in revision :— Result of proceedings in revision as affecting cases.

		Affirmed	Reversed	Varied.	New trial ordered.	Otherwise disposed of.	Total
Court of Session.	Valley Districts	.	.	. .	...	1	1
	Sylhet and Cachar	...	1	...		...	1
District Magistrates.	Valley Districts	1	5	...	2	..	8
	Sylhet					.	
	Cachar		...	.		..	...
Others	Valley Districts	14	7	2	1	.	24
	Sylhet	16	8	3	1	...	28
	Cachar	7	1	1	1	...	10
Total		38	22	6	5	1	72

The orders of the Lower Courts were upheld in 52·7 per cent. of the cases decided in 1890, as compared with 45·1 per cent. in 1889, and reversed in 30 5 per cent. in the past year, as compared with 40 3 per cent. in 1889.

89. The table below furnishes details of the results of proceedings in revision (as affecting persons convicted) during each of the past two years :— Result of proceedings in revision as affecting persons.

	1889.	1890.
Applications rejected	14	44
Orders confirmed	28	31
Sentence enhanced	...	.
„ reduced or altered	23	16
„ reversed or quashed	43	44
New trial or further inquiry ordered	2	5
Total	110	140

X.—SUBORDINATE COURTS.

90. The following table shows for each of the last two years the number of applications for revision preferred to, decided by and pending in the Courts of Sessions Judges and District Magistrates :— Number of applications for revision preferred, disposed of, and pending. *Table N.*

		Preferred		Decided.		Pending	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889	1890
Valley Districts.	Sessions Judges.	46	49	42	49	5	5
	Magistrates	85	61	83	64	3	
Sylhet and Cachar.	Sessions Judges.	105	130	110	126	6	10
	Magistrates	117	140	113	141	4	3
Total	Sessions Judges.	151	179	152	175	11	15
	Magistrates	202	201	196	205	7	3

The most marked increase occurred at Sylhet, both in the Court of Session (22) and in the District Magistrate's Court (34). The variations in the other districts are inconsiderable.

Result of revision as affecting persons. *Statement 6.*

91. The following statement shows more fully the results of revision in the Subordinate Appellate Courts as affecting persons:—

		Applications rejected or orders confirmed.	Orders reversed or proceedings quashed.	New trial or further inquiry ordered.	Orders varied.	Referred.
Courts of Session.	Valley Districts	63	1	23	...	17
	Sylhet and Cachar	303	12	59		47
		66	...	28	...	1
District-Magistrates.	Valley Districts	181	9	165	8	1
	Sylhet	24	1	9	...	5
	Cachar					
	Total	637	23	284	8	71

XI.—FINANCIAL.

Receipts and charges of the Criminal Courts. *Table S.*

92. The receipts and charges of all the Criminal Courts for the past two years were as follows:—

	Receipts.	Charges.	Excess of charges over receipts.
	R	R	R
1889	1,15,419	2,28,985	1,13,566
1890	1,13,495	2,11,003	97,508
Decrease in 1890 as compared with 1889	1,924	17,982	16,058

Financial results

93. In the Magistrates' Courts in the Assam Valley Districts the excess of expenditure over receipts amounted to R44,403 in 1890, as against R55,945 in 1889, and the excess of expenditure over receipts in Sylhet and Cachar amounted to R30,462, as compared with R31,722 in 1889. The receipts fell in all the districts except Sibsagar, Lakhimpur, and Sylhet, while the expenditure incurred rose in the districts of Darrang, Lakhimpur, Sylhet and Cachar, the remaining four districts showing a decrease.

In Sessions Courts the receipts were R848 in the past, as compared with R794 in the preceding, year, and the expenditure R23,491, as against R26,693 in 1889.

Receipts in detail.

94. The details of receipts in Magistrates' Courts given in the statement show an increase under the heads "Process Fees" and "Fines" and a decrease under the heads "Other Fees" and "Miscellaneous Fees," and the receipts of Courts of Session a large increase under the head "Fines" and a decrease under the other heads:—

	Stamps.				Cash.			
	Process Fees.		Other Fees.		Fines.		Miscellaneous (including copying and comparing fees).	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889	1890	1889.	1890.
	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Magistrates' Courts	14,741	15,042	31,764	31,085	56,486	57,571	11,634	8,949
Sessions Courts	...	...	475	453	67	282	252	113
Total	14,741	15,042	32,239	31,538	56,553	57,853	11,886	9,062

The following statement, which gives details regarding the charges of the Criminal Courts for the past two years, shows that during 1890 there was an

increase under the head "Establishment" and a decrease under the other two main heads of Expenditure :—

	Salaries of Judicial Officers		Establishment				Contingencies and refunds, including fees paid to copyists not on the fixed establishment.	
			Process-servers		Others.			
	1889	1890	1889.	1890	1889.	1890	1889.	1890
	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Magistrates' Courts . .	1,40,970	1,25,831	7,416	7,821	37,581	39,021	16,325	14,839
Courts of Session .	19,715	17,996	.	..	3,942	3,935	3,036	1,560
TOTAL .	1,60,685	1,43,827	7,416	7,821	41,523	42,956	19,361	16,399

95. The system under which copies of documents required by parties are prepared brought in a surplus to the credit of Government of R2,838, as compared with R2,500 realised in 1889. The following are the details :—

		R
Copying and comparing fees deposited by parties . . .		5,397
	R	
Salaries of copying and comparing clerks	67	
Fees paid to copyists not on the fixed establishment .	2,492	
		2,559
SURPLUS .		2,838

96. The "Expedition fees" levied from parties in urgent need of copies are not included in this surplus, but are treated in the accounts as "Miscellaneous Receipts."

97. The receipts and charges on account of the service of processes in the Criminal Courts of Assam are shown on the margin. These figures exhibit a surplus of R7,221, as compared with R7,325, the profits realised in 1889.

	R
Receipts	15,012
Charges	7,821
	7,221

98. As has been explained in the reports for previous years, no charge on account of expenses connected with the High Court is incuded in the tables prepared in connection with this report.

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A

Showing the total number of offences reported, of cases struck off as false, and of cases brought to trial, with the results of trials in 1889 and 1890.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCES.	Number of offences reported.		Number of cases in which complaint was rejected.		Number of other cases struck off as false.		Cases accepted as true.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Offences against the State and relating to the Army and Navy, Chapters VI and VII of the Indian Penal Code	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Offences against the Public Tranquillity, Chapter VIII	662	625	83	84	37	25	542	516
Offences relating to Public Servants, Chapters IX and X	332	384	17	13	2	2	313	369
Offences against Public Justice and False Evidence, Chapter X	325	350	18	23	2	...	305	327
Offences relating to Coin, Stamps, Weights and Measures, Chapters XII and XIII	76	46	6	...	...	2	70	44
Offences affecting Public Health, &c., and Religion, Chapters XIV and XV	232	175	54	40	2	3	176	132
Offences affecting the Human Body, Chapter XVI	9,026	9,060	2,698	2,659	216	193	6,112	6,208
Offences against Property, Chapter XVII	10,790	10,510	2,742	2,825	928	743	7,120	6,942
Miscellaneous offences under the Penal Code, Chapters XVIII to XXII	1,244	1,242	648	678	4	4	592	560
TOTAL OFFENCES UNDER THE PENAL CODE	22,687	22,393	6,266	6,322	1,191	972	15,230	15,099
Offences under special Laws	5,566	5,547	542	551	27	25	4,997	4,971
GRAND TOTAL	28,253	27,940	6,808	6,873	1,218	997	20,227	20,070

A 1

Showing the number of cases brought to trial, with the results of trial, in 1889 and 1890.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCES.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.		Number of persons				Percentage convicted.	
			Acquitted or discharged.		Convicted.			
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Offences against the State and relating to the Army and Navy, Chapters VI and VII of the Indian Penal Code	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Offences against the Public Tranquillity, Chapter VIII	401	363	582	412	1,063	1,019	64·62	71·2
Offences relating to Public Servants, Chapters IX and X	303	357	164	167	375	350	69·57	67·69
Offences against Public Justice and False Evidence, Chapter XI	275	294	128	151	214	209	62·57	61·47
Offences relating to Coins, Stamps, Weights and Measures, Chapters XII and XIII	65	31	33	18	45	15	57·69	45·45
Offences affecting Public Health, &c., and Religion, Chapters XIV and XV	151	113	57	43	197	159	77·55	78·71
Offences affecting the Human Body, Chapter XVI	3,264	3,256	2,461	2,449	2,439	2,360	49·77	49·08
Offences against Property, Chapter XVII	3,444	3,351	2,359	2,269	2,630	2,671	52·71	54·06
Miscellaneous offences under the Penal Code, Chapters XVIII to XXII	371	319	328	285	153	123	31·8	30·14
TOTAL OFFENCES UNDER THE PENAL CODE	8,274	8,085	6,112	5,775	7,116	6,906	53·79	54·46
Offences under Special Laws	3,844	3,751	1,273	1,348	4,191	3,766	76·7	73·64
GRAND TOTAL	12,118	11,836	7,385	7,123	11,307	10,672	60·49	59·97

B

Showing details of comparative Table A for each District.

	DISTRICTS.	Number of offences reported.		Number of cases in which complaint was rejected		Number of other cases struck off as false.		Cases accepted as true.		Percentage accepted as true.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara . .	1,145	882	114	132	79	48	952	702	83·1	79·6
	Kamrup . .	2,638	2,355	568	503	146	140	1,924	1,712	72·9	72 6
	Nowgong . .	2,431	2,667	564	760	165	106	1,705	1,801	70·04	67 5
	Darrang . .	2,310	2,408	593	571	89	85	1,628	1,752	70·4	72·7
	Sibsagar . .	4,704	4,377	1,573	1,411	135	150	2,996	2,816	63·6	64·3
	Lakhimpur . .	2,587	2,645	829	853	100	104	1,658	1,688	64 08	63·8
Sylhet . . .		9,251	9,364	1,835	1,687	438	300	6,978	7,377	75·4	78·7
Cachar . . .		3,184	3,242	732	956	66	64	2,386	2,222	74 9	68·5
	TOTAL .	28,253	27,940	6,808	6,873	1,218	997	20,227	20,070	71·5	71·83

B 1

Showing details of comparative Table A 1 for each District.

	DISTRICTS.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year		NUMBER OF PERSONS				Percentage convicted.	
				Acquitted or discharged.		Convicted.			
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889	1890.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara . . .	555	421	407	304	552	331	57·5	52·1
	Kamrup . . .	1,104	829	619	448	997	803	61·69	64·18
	Nowgong . . .	1,006	1,206	877	825	966	1,107	52 4	57 29
	Darrang . . .	926	871	419	485	979	811	70·	62 5
	Sibsagar . . .	2,072	1,988	1,056	967	1,724	1,752	62·01	64·43
	Lakhimpur . . .	1,250	1,282	721	687	1,135	1,085	61·15	61 26
Sylhet		3,765	3,702	2,424	2,511	3,649	3,458	60·08	57·93
Cachar		1,440	1,537	862	896	1,305	1,325	60 21	59·65
	TOTAL .	12,118	11,836	7,385	7,123	11,307	10,672	60·4	59 97

C.

Showing in detail the number of offences of each class returned as true in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	Offences against the State and relating to the Army and Navy, Chapters VI and VII, Indian Penal Code.		Offences against the Public Tranquillity, Chapter VIII.		Offences relating to Public Servants, Chapters IX and X.		Offences against Public Justice and False Evidence, Chapter XI		Offences relating to Coins, Stamps, Weights and Measures, Chapters XII and XIII.		Offences affecting the Public Health, and Religion, Chapters XIII and XV.		Offences affecting the Human Body, Chapter XVI.		Offences against Property, Chapter XVII.		Miscellaneous offences under the Penal Code, Chapters XVIII to XXII.		Total offences under the Penal Code.		Offences under Special Laws.		Grand Total.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889.	1890.	1889	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	...	...	29	7	30	19	29	22	3	2	1	4	213	217	346	308	27	34	678	613	274	89	952	702
	Kamrup	...	...	16	21	10	14	28	35	4	10	11	10	675	624	660	561	107	97	1,511	1,372	413	340	1,924	1,712
	Nowgong	...	...	12	10	23	92	21	21	2	1	15	5	696	642	551	590	30	30	1,350	1 391	355	410	1,705	1,801
	Darrang	..	...	9	6	31	10	23	21	4	5	19	18	415	464	643	708	87	77	1,236	1,309	392	443	1,628	1,752
	Sibsagar	..	..	20	26	24	16	39	48	17	4	69	51	698	673	1,035	937	108	110	2,010	1,865	986	951	2,996	2,816
	Lakhimpur	...	1	4	3	18	17	22	30	6	4	11	13	335	350	534	528	45	35	975	981	683	707	1,658	1,688
Sylhet		...	...	403	397	155	163	116	110	29	14	31	14	2,501	2,773	2,528	2,528	135	157	5,898	6,156	1,080	1,221	6,978	7,377
Cachar		...	...	49	46	22	38	27	40	5	4	19	17	579	465	818	782	53	20	1,572	1,412	814	810	2,386	2,222
	TOTAL	...	1	542	516	313	369	305	327	70	44	176	132	6,112	6,208	7,120	6,942	592	560	15,230	15,099	4,997	4,971	20,227	20,070

D

Showing in detail for each class the number of persons convicted in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	Offences against the State and relating to the Army and Navy, Chapters VI and VII, Indian Penal Code.		Offences against the Public Tranquillity, Chapter VIII.		Offences relating to Public Servants, Chapters IX and X.		Offences against Public Justice and False Evidence Chapter XI.		Offences relating to Coins, Stamps, Weights and Measures, Chapters XII and XIII.		Offences affecting the Public Health, and Religion, Chapters XIII and XV.		Offences affecting the Human Body, Chapter XVI.		Offences against Property, Chapter XVII.		Miscellaneous offences under the Penal Code, Chapters XVIII to XXII.		Total offences under the Penal Code.		Offences under Special Laws.		Grand Total.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	...	...	81	..	33	19	21	9	2	...	1	3	100	80	148	132	1	13	387	256	165	75	552	331
	Kamrup	...	...	56	55	11	18	17	16	2	7	13	23	271	214	282	228	27	17	679	578	318	225	997	803
	Nowgong	...	...	58	63	12	88	12	14	2	...	13	5	328	330	257	287	8	6	690	793	276	314	966	1,107
	Darrang	...	...	46	38	40	5	19	28	10	2	28	22	165	165	298	280	35	14	641	554	338	257	979	811
	Sibsagar	...	...	41	88	19	5	29	30	9	4	79	62	336	372	427	440	38	35	978	1,036	746	716	1,724	1,752
	Lakhimpur	...	...	26	17	11	15	20	25	3	...	13	10	164	161	152	195	12	7	401	430	734	655	1,135	1,085
Sylhet		...	...	625	608	228	163	72	67	14	2	29	16	893	851	876	852	25	22	2,762	2,581	887	877	3,649	3,458
Cachar		...	...	130	150	21	37	24	20	3	...	21	18	182	187	190	257	7	9	578	678	727	647	1,305	1,325
	TOTAL	...	...	1,063	1,019	375	350	214	209	45	15	197	159	2,439	2,360	2,630	2,671	153	123	7,116	6,906	4,191	3,766	11,307	10,672

E

Showing the number of cases brought to trial during the year, disposed of, and pending in the Courts of Sessions and Courts of Magistrates in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	Courts of Sessions.						Courts of Magistrates					
		Brought to trial.		Disposed of.		Pending.		Brought to trial.		Disposed of.*		Pending.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	5	5	5	6	...	...	560	425	574	425	10	8
	Kamrup	6	6	7	5	...	1	1,113	834	1,108	821	25	36
	Nowgong	...	3	...	3	...	...	1,006	1,206	990	1,219	32	18
	Darrang	3	3	3	3	...	...	926	872	928	867	8	13
	Sibsagar	13	22	16	21	1	2	2,076	1,992	2,052	1,985	45	48
	Lakhimpur	6	7	5	8	1	.	1,250	1,282	1,243	1,285	17	13
Sylhet		61	37	69	35	5	6	3,766	3,705	3,745	3,673	130	141
Cachar		7	6	10	4	...	2	1,454	1,537	1,455	1,527	30	38
	Total	101	89	115	85	7	11	12,151	11,853	12,095	11,802	297	318

* Omitting cases in which accused died, escaped, or were transferred.

F

Showing the number of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Code of Criminal Procedure disposed of during 1890.

	DISTRICTS	Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI C and Section 485.	Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace.	Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour.	Proceedings against local nuisance, Chapter X.	Possession, Chapter XII.	Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Section 250.	Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 332.	Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	Forfeiture of bail or recognisance under Chapter XLII.	Total.
		Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	.	14	1	...	3	3	...	1	8	27
	Kamrup	...	23	2	..	1	6	..	14	14	59
	Nowgong	...	3	...	...	...	26	...	21	28	78
	Darrang	..	24	1	...	1	3	...	6	1	35
	Sibsagar	.	28	15	1	2	5	...	35	16	100
	Lakhimpur	...	5	..	3	...	7	2	21	32	70
Sylhet		..	288	103	28	7	12	2	22	52	507
Cachar		...	53	5	9	3	8	...	6	25	106
	Total	...	438	127	41	17	70	4	126	176	982

G

Showing the result of trials in the Courts of Sessions in 1890 (as affecting persons).

	DISTRICTS.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped, or transferred.	Remaining under trial.	Number per cent of persons entered in Columns 3 and 4 who were convicted.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	8	3	4	1	...	...	62·5
	Kamrup	7	1	4	...	...	2	80·
	Nowgong	3	1	2	...	...	..	66 6
	Darrang	3	...	2	1	...	...	...
	Sibsagar	86	7	27	...	...	2	79·41
	Lakhimpur	16	4	9	3		...	71 4
Sylhet		101	66	27	...	1	7	29·03
Cachar		6	1	3	...	.	2	75·
	TOTAL	180	83	78	5	1	13	49·07

H

Showing the results of trials in the Courts of Magistrates in 1890 (as affecting persons).

	DISTRICTS.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped, or transferred.	Remaining under trial	Number per cent. of persons entered in Columns 3 and 4 who were convicted.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	657	301	326	14	2	14	51·9
	Kamrup	1,354	448	799	11	2	94	64·07
	Nowgong	1,954	824	1,105	3	1	21	57·28
	Darrang	1,319	485	809	4	...	21	62·51
	Sibsagar	2,801	960	1,727	37	7	70	64·27
	Lakhimpur	1,789	683	1,073	15	2	16	61·1
Sylhet		6,182	2,445	3,431	94	4	208	58 39
Cachar		2,287	895	1,322	6	4	60	59 63
	TOTAL	18,343	7,041	10,592	184	22	504	60·07

I

Showing in detail the number of persons who were awaiting trial in the Courts of Magistrates at the end of 1890.

	DISTRICTS	Criminal lunatics.	Number of persons				Of the persons entered in Columns 3 to 6 under trial.				
			In custody	On bail.	On recognizance.	Otherwise.	Not exceeding one month	Over one month	Over two months.	Over three months.	Over six months
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	1	...	13	...	...	11	2	...	...	..
	Kamrup	5	2	45	...	42	71	14	4	...	...
	Nowgong	4	1	9	7	...	15	2	. .	...	
	Darrang	4	13	4	.	...	16	1	.	...	. .
	Sibsagar	6	17	43	4	...	56	8	...	...	...
	Lakhimpur	...	6	7	3	...	14	2	...	..	...
Sylhet		26	13	163	5	1	172	8	1	1	..
Cachar		4	6	31	16	3	52	4	. .	...	...
	Total	50	58	315	35	46	407	41	5	1	...

J

Showing the number of witnesses examined and the amount paid as expenses in the Courts of Sessions and Magistrates' Courts in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS	Number of witnesses examined				Amount paid as expenses			
		Courts of Sessions		Magistrates' Courts		Courts of Sessions		Magistrates' Courts	
		1889.	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890	1889	1890.
						R	R	R	R
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	5	14	2,179	1,784	53	64	54	44
	Kamrup	16	5	4,709	2,952	13	..	25	18
	Nowgong	...	23	4,020	4,813	...	..	14	29
	Darrang	12	9	3,749	2,783	.	...	6	40
	Sibsagar	58	87	6,470	6,352	180	163	80	68
	Lakhimpur	16	70	4,746	3,088	...	...	65	248
Sylhet		608	259	18,413	17,473	2,019	817	403	333
Cachar		108	11	5,038	4,911	110	6	22	139
	Total	823	478	49,324	44,156	2,375	1,050	669	919

K

Showing the detention of witnesses in the Courts of Sessions and Courts of Magistrates in 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	NUMBER OF WITNESSES DISCHARGED.							
		Courts of Sessions.				Magistrates' Courts.			
		On the 1st day.	On the 2nd day.	On the 3rd day.	After the 3rd day	On the 1st day.	On the 2nd day	On the 3rd day.	After the 3rd day.
Assam Valley Districts	Goalpara	12	28	...	...	2,200	274	36	14
	Kamrup	5	...	...	...	2,787	472	102	...
	Nowgong	22	9	...	...	4,746	644	114	16
	Darrang	13	...	...	...	2,848	541	69	4
	Sibsagar	124	16	6	...	5,830	1,104	317	11
	Lakhimpur	75	7	1	10	3,214	194	31	4
Sylhet		366	102	16	54	19,457	4,378	548	32
Cachar		31	...	...	...	5,842	757	172	10
	Total	648	162	23	64	46,924	8,364	1,384	91

L

Showing the total amount of fines imposed in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction by the Criminal Courts in 1889 and 1890, the amount realized, and amount paid by way of compensation.

	DISTRICTS.	Courts of Sessions.						Magistrates' Courts.					
		Total amount of fines.		Amount realized.		Amount paid by way of compensation.		Total amount of fines		Amount realized		Amount paid by way of compensation.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889	1890.	1889.	1890.
		R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,865	4,212	4,960	3,869	382	515
	Kamrup	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,261	4,307	6,213	4,102	1,159	581
	Nowgong	...	...	50	37	...	...	8,415	6,564	7,531	5,265	880	475
	Darrang	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,661	5,831	5,015	3,648	1,684	1,017
	Sibsagar	40	...	34	...	34	...	10,085	12,162	10,024	11,604	2,965	2,012
	Lakhimpur	...	100	...	100	...	...	6,077	6,715	5,797	5,720	1,493	1,462
Sylhet		400	...	39	235	25	95	21,243	23,787	19,905	22,516	2,148	1,671
Cachar		...	...	...	...	...	...	5,930	6,866	6,344	5,947	1,167	1,649
	Total	440	100	123	372	59	95	68,537	70,444	65,789	62,671	11,828	9,382

Showing particulars of whippings inflicted in 1890 by the Criminal Tribunals in each District in Assam.

DISTRICTS.	I.—IN LIEU OF OTHER PUNISHMENT (SECTIONS 2 AND 3, ACT VI OF 1864). Number of Stripes.													II.—IN ADDITION TO OTHER PUNISHMENT (SECTIONS 3 AND 4, ACT VI OF 1864). Number of Stripes.							III.—INFLICTED UNDER SECTION 5, ACT VI, 1864, ON JUVENILES FOR OFFENCES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED IN PARTS I AND II. Number of Stripes.														Relative number of times whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments.			Total number of whippings awarded.	Number of convicted persons liable to punishment under Act VI of 1864.	Percentage sentenced to whipping.
	5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.	5 and under.	6 to 10.	11 to 15.	16 to 20.	21 to 25.	26 to 30.	Total.	5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.	Total number of whippings awarded.	Total number of other punishments.	Percentage of whippings.			
	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.									1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.	1st conviction.	2nd or subsequent conviction.											
Assam Valley Districts.																																							
Goalpara	.	2		7	...	7	.	..	..	6	.	22	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	...	.	.		1	..	...	...	..	..		...	1	23	308	6·9	23	120	19 1
Kamrup	1	...	..	..	.	.	..	2	...	..	2	1	6	...	...	..	.	.	.	.	...	.	1	...	.	..	...	...	.	..	..	..	1	7	796	·8	7	174	4·02
Nowgong	...	.	10	..	3	1	13	2	4	1	1	..	35		...	..	1	3		4	...	.	...	...	.	...	..	..	1	..	...		1	40	1,067	3·6	40	174	22·9
Darrang	.	..	3	..	10	...	2	.	3		.	.	18	.	.	1	1	1	..	3	...	...	1	..	...	...	...	.	.	.	...	..	1	22	789	2·7	22	193	11 3
Sibsagar	4	.	15	2	17	..	12	2	14	.	6	...	72	.		1	2	..	.	3	1	...			.	.	1	.	.	...	..	..	2	77	1,675	4 3	77	303	25·4
Lakhimpur	...	...	11	...	11		5	.	...	1	...	..	28		.	.		.	.	.		..	3	1	1	.	..	.	...		1	..	6	34	1,051	3·1	34	111	30·6
Sylhet	2	...	13	..	22	.	9	.	7	...	1	...	54	..	..	1	2	.	2	5	...	..	1	..	1	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	2	61	3,397	1 7	61	535	11·4
Cachar	..	...	4	1	10	1	10	..	2	..	.	..	28	.			...	..	1	1	...	..	1	...	.	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	30	1,295	2·2	30	160	18 7
Total	7	...	58	3	80	2	58	6	30	2	16	1	263	...	..	3	6	4	3	16	1	...	7	1	3	.	1	...	1	.	1	.	15	294	10,378	2·7	294	1,770	16 6

M

Showing the number of appeal cases preferred, disposed of, and pending in the Courts of the District Magistrates and of Sessions Judges in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	1889						1890.					
		PREFERRED.		DISPOSED OF.		PENDING.		PREFERRED.		DISPOSED OF.		PENDING.	
		Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara .	35	...	35	...	1	...	25	3	25	3	1	.
	Kamrup .	63	19	63	16	.	3	28	45	26	48	2	...
	Nowgong .	45	20	43	21	2	..	43	25	45	24		1
	Darrang .	23	5	23	5			17	4	16	4	...	
	Sibsagar .	26	12	33	12	.	.	40	15	38	14	2	1
	Lakhimpur .	25	2	25	2	...	...	21	2	20	2	1	...
Sylhet . .		366	143	375	139	10	5	275	210	282	206	3	9
Cachar . .		58	78	59	78	1		90	42	91	41	...	1
TOTAL .		641	279	656	273	14	8	539	346	543	342	9	12

N

Showing the number of applications for revision cases preferred, disposed of, and pending in the Courts of District Magistrates and Sessions Judges in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	1889.						1890					
		PREFERRED		DISPOSED OF		PENDING.		PREFERRED.		DISPOSED OF.		PENDING.	
		Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts	Courts of Session	Magistrates' Courts	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.	Courts of Session.	Magistrates' Courts.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara .	1	8		8	1	...	5	3	2	3	2	...
	Kamrup .	27	24	27	21	..	3	19	15	17	18	2	...
	Nowgong .	...	18	...	18		...	2	6	2	6	...	...
	Darrang .	4	1	3	1	1	...	12		12		1	..
	Sibsagar .	9	29	8	30	1	..	10	32	11	32	...	...
	Lakhimpur .	5	5	4	5	2	..	3	5	5	5	...	...
Sylhet . .		87	67	91	64	6	3	109	101	106	102	9	2
Cachar . .		18	50	19	49	..	1	21	39	20	39	1	1
TOTAL .		151	202	152	196	11	7	179	201	175	205	15	3

O

Showing the number of persons whose cases came before the Courts of Sessions Judges and of District Magistrates on appeals or applications for revision with the results as affecting the orders of the Lower Courts.

	DISTRICTS.	APPEALS.				APPLICATIONS FOR REVISION			
		Number of persons who appealed	Ratio per cent. of persons appealing to persons in respect of whom appealable orders were passed.	Number of appellants in whose cases the sentences or orders were confirmed.	Ratio per cent. of affirmed to decided.	Number of applicants for revision	Ratio per cent. of applicants for revision to persons in respect of whose cases orders were passed.	Number of applications were rejected or in whose cases the orders were confirmed.	Ratio per cent. of rejected to disposed of.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara .	41	38·3	16	39 02	5	·7	3	60·
	Kamrup .	97	41·4	54	52 9	17	1·3	59	67 8
	Nowgong .	129	21 7	64	50·3	7·	·3	8	100·
	Darrang .	31	15 5	14	46·6	12	·9	14	53·8
	Sibsagar .	92	28·9	54	62 6	9	·3	35	58·3
	Lakhimpur .	25	11·3	17	70 8	9	·3	10	76·9
Sylhet . . .		806	58 4	492	60·1	223	3·6	464	63·2
Cachar . . .		210	50 6	125	59·8	26	1·1	44	45·8
TOTAL .		1,431	41·2	836	58·1	308 (*a*)	1 6	637	62·2

(*a*) Besides these there were 785 accused persons against whom applications were made by the complainants.

P

Showing the number of appeals and applications for revision (cases) preferred, disposed of, and pending in the High Court in 1889 and 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	APPEALS.						APPLICATIONS FOR REVISION.					
		Preferred		Disposed of.		Pending		Preferred.		Disposed of.		Pending.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890	1889	1890	1889.	1890	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara .	2	3	1	4	1	...	6	12	6	11		1
	Kamrup .	6	2	7	2	...	..	9	8	9	8	...	...
	Nowgong .	4	2	6	1	...	1	2	3	2	3	...	...
	Darrang .	1	...	2	...	...	...	2	3	3	1	...	2
	Sibsagar .	6	9	5	9	1	1	7	8	6	9	1	...
	Lakhimpur .	2	3	2	2	...	1	3	1	3	1	...	...
Sylhet. . .		38	18	40	18	4	4	20	28	19	29	1	...
Cachar . .		7	2	7	2	...	.	13	11	14	10	...	1
TOTAL .		66	39	70	38	6	7	62	74	62	72	2	4

Q

Showing the result as affecting persons of appeals and applications for revision in the High Court in 1890.

DISTRICTS.	APPEALS.						APPLICATION FOR REVISION.					
	Rejected.	Sentence affirmed.	Sentence reversed.	Sentence varied.	Further enquiry ordered.	Otherwise disposed of.	Rejected.	Order affirmed.	Order reversed.	Order varied.	Further enquiry ordered.	Otherwise disposed of.
Assam Valley Districts. Goalpara	1	2	...	1	...	...	1	2	14	...	...	...
Kamrup	1	...	...	1	...	...	8	5	...	...	1	.
Nowgong	...	...		1	...	...	...	1	...	.	2	
Darrang	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	1			
Sibsagar	11	1	...	1	2	...	5	2	4	3	...	7
Lakhimpur	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	..	...		...
Sylhet . .	4	4	7	12	...	...	21	15	24	12	1	
Cachar . .	2		...	.	...	...	2	5	1	1	1	...
TOTAL .	21	7	7	17	2	...	37	31	44	16	5	7

R

Criminal business coming before the High Court from the Province of Assam in 1890 (Appellate Jurisdiction).

DESCRIPTION OF CASES.	Remaining in 1889.	Filed in 1890.	Disposed of in 1890.	Remaining at the close of 1890.
APPEALS.				
By Persons convicted . From the orders of Presidency Magistrates	...	...	...	...
Deputy Commissioner acting under Section 34, Penal Code	1	3	4	...
Sessions Judges	5	36	34	7
By the Local Government . . . From the judgments of acquittal of all Courts	...	...	...	...
TOTAL .	6	39	38	7
REFERENCES.				
Cases in which the Sessions Judges dissented from the verdict of the Jury and referred under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code .	...	3	2	1
Cases in which sentences of death passed by Sessions Judges were referred for confirmation under Section 374, Criminal Procedure Code	...	2	2	...
Cases in which proceedings held against persons who cannot understand them are referred for orders under Section 341, Criminal Procedure Code	...	...	.	. .
TOTAL .	...	5	4	1
REVISION.				
Cases referred for revision by District Magistrates and Sessions Judges under Section 438, Criminal Procedure Code	2	34	33	3
Cases dealt with by the Court under Section 435, Criminal Procedure Code :—				
(1) Cases decided by Magistrates		38	37	1
(2) Cases decided by Sessions Judges	..	2	2	...
Cases dealt with under Section 526, Criminal Procedure Code . .	...	2	2	...
TOTAL .	2	76	74	4
Full Bench references	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous orders in Court	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL .	8	120	116	12

N.B.—Besides the above orders were passed out of Court on review of periodical Criminal Returns and Sessions Statements.

Receipts and Charges of the Criminal Courts, 1890.

DISTRICTS.	RECEIPTS						CHARGES.							Results *plus* or *minus*.
	In Court-fee stamps		In Cash or Special Stamps				Share of Officers' salary debitable to Criminal Justice.	Establishments.			Contingencies.			
	Process fees.	Other fees	Fines.	Copying and comparing fees.	Other receipts credited to Government.	Total		Process-servers.	Salaried copying and comparing Clerks	Others.	Fees paid to copyists not on the fixed establishment	Other contingencies and refund	Total	
	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	
Assam Valley Districts. Goalpara	603	1,561	3,390	772	1,356	7,682	9,965	264	...	4,230	386	820	15,665	—7,983
Kamrup	1,093	2,919	4,000	464	366	8,842	10,708	550	...	3,832	232	1,043	16,365	—7,523
Nowgong	1,202	2,470	5,655	193	168	9,688	6,791	480	...	4,455	96	1,300	13,122	—3,434
Darrang	734	2,077	2,641	101	357	5,910	9,802	408	...	3,282	50	1,203	14,746	—8,835
Sibsagar	2,153	5,160	9,802	892	19	18,026	20,665	1,092	..	5 023	364	1, 774	28 918	—10,892
Lakhimpur	848	1,974	4,561	244	103	7,730	17,826	478	...	4,107	122	1,046	23,579	—15,849
Sylhet	6,685	11,436	21,857	2,260	1,254	43,492	48,526	3,290		11,032	1,036	4,041	67,925	—24,433
Cachar	1,724	3,941	5,947	471	42	12,125	19,544	1,259	67	6,928	206	2,680	30,684	—18,559
Total. Courts of Magistrates	15,042	31,085	57,571	5,284	3,665	1,12,647	1,25,831	7,821	67	38,954	2,437	12,402	1,87,512	—74,865
Courts of Session	...	453	282	113	.	848	17,996		...	3,935	55	1,505	23,491	—22,643
GRAND TOTAL	15,042	31,538	57,853	5,397	3,665	1,13,495	1,43,827	7,821	67	42,889	2,492	13,907	2,11,003	—97,508

Annual Statement 1—(Criminal).

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and of Officers exercising Jurisdiction in Criminal Cases in the Province of Assam on the last day of the year, the work done, and the Receipts and Charges of the Criminal Courts in 1890.

	DISTRICTS.	Area.	Population.	Number of Sessions Divisions.	Number of Divisions of Districts (including Sadr Division).	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS. Judges of the High Court.	Sessions Judges of all grades.	Magistrates of all grades. Stipendiary.	Magistrates of all grades. Special and Honorary.	Number of Benches of Magistrates.	Number of Criminal Cases originally decided. By the High Court.	By Court of Sessions.	By District Magistrates.	By other Stipendiary Magistrates.	By Special and Honorary Magistrates.	By Benches of Magistrates.	Number of Criminal Cases decided on Appeal. By the High Court.	By the Courts of Sessions.	By District Magistrates and other Magistrates empowered.	Total Receipts of the Criminal Courts.	Total Charges of the Criminal Courts.
Assam Valley Districts.	Goalpara	3,953	446,232	1	2	...	1	4	1	...	1	6	149	276	...	...	4	25	3	7,682	15,665
	Kamrup	3,631	644,960		2	...		6	5	...	...	5	115	675	31	...	2	26	48	8,842	16,365
	Nowgong	3,257	310,579		1	...		3	3	...	...	3	154	687	378	...	1	45	24	9,688	13,122
	Darrang	3,418	273,333		2	...		5	3	...	...	3	87	734	46	...	...	16	4	5,910	14,745
	Lakhimpur	3,723	179,893		2	...		6	2	...	3	8	51	1,232	2	...	2	20	2	7,730	23,579
	Sibsagar	2,854	370,274		3	...		7	2	...	...	21	88	1,852	45	...	9	38	14	18,026	28,918
	TOTAL	20,836	2,225,271	1	12	...	1	31	16	...	4	46	644	5,456	502	...	18	170	95	57,878	112,394
Sylhet		5,413	1,969,009	1	5	...	1	12	4	...	...	35	14	3,224	435	...	18	282	206	43,492	67,925
Cachar		1,285	289,425		3	...		9	...	...	...	4	101	1,426	...	...	2	91	41	12,125	30,684
	TOTAL	6,698	2,258,434	1	8	...	1	21	4	...	...	39	115	4,650	435	...	20	373	247	55,617	98,609
	GRAND TOTAL	27,534	4,483,705	2	20	...	2	52	20	...	4	85	759	10,106	937	...	38	543	342	113,495	211,003

Annual Statement 2—(Criminal).

Statement of Offences reported and of Persons tried, convicted, and acquitted of each offence in the Province of Assam in the year 1890.

Nomenclature of Offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code, or other Law applicable.	Number of Cases.					Number of Persons.				
	Offences reported.	Complaint dismissed under Section 203, C. P. C.	Other cases struck off as false.	Balance returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred.	Remaining under trial at the close of the year.
				I.—Offences under the Penal Code.						
Offences against the State.										
Chapter VI, Sections 121 to 130	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the Army and Navy.										
Chapter VII, Sections 131 to 140	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
Offences against the Public Tranquillity.										
Chapter VIII, Sections 143 to 145, 149 to 151, 157, 158—Unlawful Assembly	271	59	12	200	131	462	149	307	...	6
„ „ „ 147, 148, 152 and 153 to 156—Rioting, &c.	239	25	13	261	207	917	242	639	...	36
„ „ Section 160—Affray	55	...	...	55	25	94	21	73	...	...
Offences by or relating to Public Servants.										
Chapter IX, Sections 161 to 169—By Public Servants	14	2	...	12	9	11	4	5	...	2
„ „ „ 161, 170, and 171—Relating to Public Servants	19	2	1	16	15	21	12	4	...	5
Contempts of the Lawful Authority of Public Servants.										
Chapter X, Sections 172 to 190	351	9	1	341	333	494	151	341	...	2
False Evidence and Offences against Public Officers.										
Chapter XI, Sections 193 to 200—False Evidence, Subornation, &c., of Public Servants	71	4	...	67	64	77	36	33	2	6
„ „ „ 201 to 229—Offences against Public Justice	279	19	...	260	230	283	95	176	...	12
Offences relating to Coin and Government Stamps.										
Chapter XII, Sections 231 to 254—Offences relating to Coin	28	...	2	26	16	17	8	8	...	1
„ „ „ 255 to 263—Offences relating to Stamps	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to Weights and Measures.										
Chapter XIII, Sections 264 to 267	17	...	...	17	15	17	10	7	...	...
Offences affecting the Public Health, Safety, Convenience, Decency and Morals.										
Chapter XIV, Sections 269 to 278—Offences affecting public health	60	6	3	51	49	103	17	86	...	...
„ „ „ 279 to 289—Ditto ditto safety	90	27	...	63	47	68	23	45	...	...
„ „ „ 290 and 291—Ditto ditto convenience	13	2	...	11	11	22	3	19	...	...
„ „ „ 292 to 294—Ditto ditto decency and morals	6	3	...	3	3	7	...	7	...	...
„ „ Section 294A—Keeping lottery office or publishing proposals for lottery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Offences relating to Religion.												
Chapter XV, Sections 295 to 298	6	2	...	4	3	4	...	2	...	2
Offences affecting the human body.										
Chapter XVI, Sections 302 and 303—Murder	31	...	1	30	1	62	40	8	1	13
" " Section 307—Attempt at murder	5	...	1	4	1	1	..	1	...	...
" " " 304—Culpable homicide	32	..	1	31	23	49	22	14	...	13
" " " 304A—Causing death by rash or negligent act	19	...	1	18	14	21	11	10	...	...
" " " 308—Attempt at culpable homicide	2	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
" " Sections 305 and 306—Abetment of suicide	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " Section 309—Attempted suicide	30		...	30	24	27	3	22	...	2
" " " 311—Thuggee, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " Sections 312 to 315—Causing miscarriage	2	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
" " Section 316—Injury to unborn children	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " " 317—Exposure of infants	12	7		5	1	1	1	..	...	...
" " " 318—Concealment of birth by secret disposal of dead body	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " Sections 325 to 331, and 333—Hurt with aggravating circumstances	108	13	2	93	75	162	47	102	...	13
" " " 323, 324, 332, and 334 to 338—Other cases	1,477	262	20	1 195	640	977	462	491	1	23
" " Section 341—Wrongful restraint	146	64	3	79	57	120	65	52	..	3
" " Sections 342 to 348—Wrongful confinement	639	232	68	339	162	342	206	122	...	14
" " " 352 to 358—Criminal force or assault	6,210	1,932	52	4,226	2,152	3,033	1,488	1,490	3	52
" " " 364, 366, 367—Kidnapping or forcible abduction with aggravating circumstances	40	22	3	15	8	25	18	5	...	2
" " " 363, 365, 368, and 369—Other cases	237	119	20	98	49	93	60	31	...	2
" " " 370 and 371—Slavery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " " 372 and 373—Buying or selling a minor for the purpose of prostitution	2	..	1	1	1	2	...	2	...	...
" " Section 374—Forced labour	4	2	...	2	..	..	...	...	...	..
" " " 376—Rape	35	4	13	18	14	23	18	4	...	1
" " " 377—Unnatural offence	29	...	7	22	12	12	6	6	...	...
Offences against Property.										
Chapter XVII, Section 382—Theft with aggravating circumstances	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
" " Sections 379 to 381, and 401—Other cases	4,598	848	477	3,273	1,450	2,209	813	1,258	1	137
" " " 386 to 389—Extortion with aggravating circumstances	3	...	2	1	2	2	1	1	...	...
" " " 384 and 385—Other cases	130	61	...	69	43	65	53	12	...	...
" " Section 294—Robbery—With hurt	2	...	...	2	1	3	3	...	...	...
" " " 392—Robbery—Other cases	22	2	6	14	5	11	4	1	...	6
" " " 393—Robbery—Attempts	1	...	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
" " " 396—Dacoity—With murder	1	...	...	1	1	8	8	...	...	...
" " " 397—Dacoity—With attempt to cause death or grievous hurt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " " 398—Dacoity—Attempted robbery or dacoity when armed with deadly weapons	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " Sections 395, 399, 400 and 402—Dacoity—Other cases	10	1	2	7	3	13	9	4	...	...
" " " 403 and 404—Criminal misappropriation of property	425	257	4	164	111	149	84	60	1	4
" " " 406 to 409—Criminal breach of trust	392	151	20	221	128	153	92	55	1	5
" " " 411 to 414—Receiving or habitually dealing in stolen or plundered property	323	5	5	313	304	495	172	314	...	9
" " " 417 to 420—Cheating	282	186	...	96	65	76	47	26	...	3
" " " 421 to 424—Fraudulent deeds or disposition of property	6	1	...	5	4	6	1	5	..	...
" " " 429 to 433 and 435 to 440—Mischief—With aggravating circumstances	339	67	39	283	117	177	104	53	...	20
" " " 426 to 428 and 434—Mischief—Other cases	1,278	644	16	618	368	559	289	261	...	9

Statement of Offences reported and of Persons tried, convicted, and acquitted of each offence in the Province of Assam in the year 1890—contd.

Nomenclature of Offences with Chapter and Section of the Penal Code or other Law applicable.	Number of Cases.					Number of Persons.				
	Offences reported.	Complaint dismissed under Section 203, C. P. C.	Other cases struck off as false	Balance returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted	Died, escaped, or transferred.	Remaining under trial at the close of the year.
					I.—Offences under the Penal Code.					
Offences against Property—contd.										
Chapter XVII, Sections 459 and 460— Criminal Trespass — Resulting in death or grievous hurt	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
„ „ „ 449 to 452, 454, 455, 457, and 458— Criminal Trespass — For commission of serious offences	1,215	12	134	1,069	217	352	124	209	...	19
„ „ „ 447, 448, 453, 456, 461, and 462— Criminal Trespass — Other cases	1,432	590	37	805	531	898	464	412	1	21
Offences relating to Documents and to Trade or Property Mark.										
Chapter XVIII, Sections 465 to 471, and 474—Forgery or uttering or possessing forged documents or papers	32	17	...	15	13	22	15	6	...	1
„ „ „ 472 to 476—Counterfeiting or making or possessing a counterfeit seal, &c., for purposes of forgery	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
„ „ Section 477—Fraudulently destroying or defacing a Will or other document	2	1	...	1	2	2	2	...	...	...
„ „ Sections 482, 486, 487 and 488—Using a false trade or property mark and knowingly selling property so marked	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
„ „ „ 483 to 485—Counterfeiting or making or possessing a die, plate or instrument for counterfeiting trade or property mark	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ „ Section 489—Removing, destroying, &c., a trade or property mark with intent to cause injury	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal breach of contracts and service.										
Chapter XIX, Sections 490 to 492	16	8	...	8	5	6	5	1	...	...
Offences relating to marriage.										
Chapter XX, Sections 493 to 498	635	388	2	245	115	153	108	36	1	8
Defamation.										
Chapter XXI, Sections 500 to 502	198	96	...	102	75	108	74	24	...	10
Criminal intimidation, insult or annoyance.										
Chapter XXII, Section 506. The threat being to cause death or other grievous hurt	32	11	1	20	10	13	5	8	...	...
„ „ Sections 504 to 510. Other cases	327	157	1	169	99	126	76	48	...	2
Total of Offences under the Penal Code	22,393	[2]6,322	972	15,099	8,085	13,157	5,775	6,906	12	464

	II.—Offences under Special and Local Laws.									
Code of Criminal Procedure.										
Chapter VIII. Sections 107, 108, 119. Security for keeping the peace	295	143	...	152	86	304	148	148	...	8
„ „ „ 109, 110. Security for good behaviour	144	10	...	134	113	134	54	73	...	7
Other Laws.—relating to										
Arms and Ammunition Act, Act XI of 1878	270	...	2	268	257	282	32	246	1	3
Cattle Trespass Act, I of 1877	1,155	308	11	836	430	691	361	318	1	11
Census Act, XVII of 1890	6	...	...	6	4	4	1	3	..	...
Contract (Workmen) Act, XIII of 1859	404	28	1	375	224	323	119	204	1	8
Cruelty to Animals Act, I of 1869	24	1	...	23	22	25	5	21	...	..
Emigration (Inland) Acts, VII of 1873 and I of 1882	1.081	31	1	1,049	638	993	124	861	3	5
Excise Act, VII of 1878	236	...	2	234	218	249	59	189	...	1
Ferry Act, XVII of 1878	123	10	1	112	79	102	55	42	2	3
Fishery Act, II (B. C.) of 1889	108	9	3	96	55	126	57	68	...	1
Forests Act, VII of 1878	107	1	1	105	95	195	55	140	...	...
Frontier District Regulation No V of 1873	3	...	...	3	3	7	5	2	...	...
Gambling Act, II of 1867	15	2	...	13	15	58	23	33	2	...
Jail Acts, II of 1864, V of 1865, and XXVI of 1870	2	...	...	2	2	2		2	...	...
Land and Revenue Regulation, I of 1886	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Metal Tokens Act, I of 1889	7	...	...	7	7	14	10	4	...	...
Military Police Regulation, IV of 1890	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Municipalities Act, V of 1876	501	3	...	498	494	514	81	432	1	...
Opium Act, I of 1878	127	2	3	122	110	129	41	84	...	4
Police (District) Act, V of 1861	691	1	...	690	678	764	71	693	...	...
Police Frontier Regulation, Act II of 1882	3	...	..	3	1	1	...	1	...	...
Police (Rural) Act, I of 1883	74	...	...	74	69	72	7	65	...	...
Post Offices Act, XIV of 1866	2	...	...	2	2	3	3	...	...	...
Printing Press Act, XXV of 1867	1	...	...	1	1	2	...	2	...	...
Prisons Acts, II of 1882 and XXVI of 1870	7	...	...	7	7	7	2	5	...	...
Railway Act, IV of 1879	5	...	...	5	4	5	1	3	...	1
Registration of Births and Deaths Act, II of 1873	62		...	62	57	69	24	45	...	...
Registration of Documents Act, III of 1877	8	...	...	8	7	16	4	12	...	...
Stamps Act, I of 1879	82	2	.	80	69	83	13	69	...	1
Telegraphs Act, I of 1876	...	...	...	.	...	1	..	...	...	1
Vaccination Act, V of 1880	2	...	...	2	2	2	2	...	...	...
TOTAL OF OFFENCES UNDER SPECIAL LAWS	5,547	551	25	4,971	3,751	5,179	1,348	3,766	11	54
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL OFFENCES	27,940	6,873	997	20,070	11,836	18,336	7,123	10,672	23	518

Annual Statement 3—(Criminal).

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Province of Assam during 1890.

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS.	TOTAL NUMBER DEALT WITH DURING THE YEAR.		DISPOSED OF DURING YEAR			REMARKS.
	Cases.	Persons	Cases	PERSONS.		
				Discharged.	Convicted	
1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VIC and Section 485	...	...	...	..	...	
2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace	149	446	141	148	290	
3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII—Security for good behaviour	116	134	111	54	73	
4. Proceedings against local nuisances—Chapter X	18	41	18	22	19	
5. Possession—Chapter XII	17	.	17	...	...	
6. Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, Section 250	70	70	70	...	70	
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors—Chapter XXIII, Section 332	3	4	3	2	2	
8. Maintenance—Chapter XXXVI	126	126	126	85	41	
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII	122	176	122	23	153	
TOTAL	621	997	608	334	648	

Annual Statement 4—(Criminal).

Statement showing the general result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals of various Classes in the Province of Assam in the year 1890.

CLASS OF TRIBUNAL.	NUMBER OF PERSONS UNDER TRIAL.								PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF.								Persons under trial at the end of the year.	NUMBER OF CASES.				Aggregate number of days during which the cases entered in column 20 lasted.	Average number of days during which each case lasted	Number of witnesses examined.
	Remaining at the end of the previous year.	Brought to trial during the year..							Died, escaped, or transferred.	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted				Committed or referred.	Total of Columns 11 to 16		Brought to trial during the year.	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.	Number of cases entered in column 20 tried summarily.			
		Under arrest by police.	Upon warrant.	On summons.	Voluntarily.	Received on commitment or reference.	Received by transfer.	TOTAL.			On regular trial.		On summary trial.											
											Appealable sentence passed.	Non-appealable sentence passed.	Appealable sentence passed.	Non-appealable sentence passed.										
I.—MAGISTRATES.																								
Officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
SUBORDINATE MAGISTRATES. Special Magistrate under Section 14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly . . 2nd and 3rd class	32	190	147	1,187	11	...	...	1,567	...	663	593	...	...	...	...	1,556	11	931	935	8	...	6,774	7·2	3,473
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly . . 1st class	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	2	..	...	2	1·	7
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly . . 2nd and 3rd class	62	706	152	924	31	...	...	1,875	1	847	968	..	..	..	6	1,821	53	1,255	1,242	37	...	19,404	15·6	5,390
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly . . 1st class	373	6,373	1,317	4,985	679	...	...	13,727	18	5,167	1,377	2,358	72	4,216	156	13,346	363	6,997	6,864	244	3,808	90,422	10·1	33,090
Benches of Magistrates	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347, 349.	1	...	..	...	...	20	...	21	...	5	7	3	...	...	4	19	2	16	15	3	...	172	11·4	62
CHIEF MAGISTRATES OF DISTRICTS. Under ordinary powers	9	613	145	246	67	...	...	1,080	3	335	110	92	6	454	7	1,004	73	717	699	25	426	4,335	6·2	1,874
CHIEF MAGISTRATES OF DISTRICTS. Under special powers under Section 34	2	49	13	7	...	...	...	71	...	24	31	3	..	..	11	69	2	45	45	2	...	396	8·6	260
TOTAL	479	7,931	1,774	7,349	790	20	...	18,343	22	7,041	3,387	2,457	78	4,670	184	17,817	504	11,853	11,802	318	4,234	121,499	10·2	44,156
II.—COURTS OF SESSION.																								
Assistant Judges	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Judges, Joint and Additional Judges	14	..	..	...	..	153	...	167	1	82	30	36	...	...	5	153	13	76	72	11	...	3,146	43·6	478
JUDGES . . Cases referred by Deputy Commissioners under Section 34, C. P. C.	..	...	..	...	..	13	...	13	...	1	12	...	..	...	...	13	...	13	13	...	...	179	14·5	...
JUDGES . . Cases referred by Assistant Judges under Section 31, C. P. C.	.	...				...	...	...	.	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	14	..	..	.	..	166	..	180	1	83	42	36	...	.	5	166	13	89	85	11	.	3,325	37·8	478
III.—SUPERIOR COURTS OF GENERAL JURISDICTION.																								
HIGH COURT . Cases under Section 526, C. P. C.	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
HIGH COURT . Cases committed by the Presidency Magistrates	...	...		...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...
HIGH COURT . Cases referred by Sessions Judges under Section 307, C. P. C.	...	.	.	..	.	3	...	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	.	2	1	3	2	1	...	97	48·5	...
HIGH COURT . Cases referred by Sessions Judges under Section 374, C. P. C.	..	...	..	..		2	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	..	...	2	...	2	2	...	...	75	37·5	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	..	...	5	...	5	..	...	...	4	...	...	..	4	1	5	4	1	...	172	43·	...
GRAND TOTAL	493	7,931	1,774	7,349	790	191	...	18,528	23	7,124	3,429	2,497	78	4,670	189	17,987	519	11,947	11,891	330	4,234	124,996	10·5	44,634

Annual Statement 5—(Criminal).

Statement showing the Punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction in the year 1891.

| CLASS OF TRIBUNAL. | PERSONS SENTENCED TO | | | | | | | | | | PERSONS ORDERED TO FIND OR GIVE | | | PERSONS IMPRISONED IN DEFAULT OF SECURITY FOR GOOD BEHAVIOUR. | | DETAIL OF PUNISHMENTS. | | | | | | | | | |

Annual Statement 5A—(Criminal)

Showing the particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals during 1890

PART I

Showing Whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864, in lieu of other Punishment

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED	NUMBER OF STRIPES AWARDED												TOTAL.
	5 and under		6 to 10		11 to 15		16 to 20		21 to 25		26 to 30.		
	1st Conviction	2nd or subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction	2nd or subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	2nd or subsequent Conviction	1st Conviction.	2nd or subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction	2nd or subsequent Conviction	1st Conviction	2nd or subsequent Conviction	
IN LIEU OF OTHER PUNISHMENT (SECTIONS 2 AND 30, ACT VI, 1864)													
1 Theft, as defined in . . . Section 378, I P. C.	4	...	20	1	24	1	18		7	...	5	...	80
„ 380 „ .	2	...	24	1	25	...	25	3	8	1	5	1	95
„ 381 „ .	1	...	9	...	11	...	4	1	3	..	...	...	29
„ 382 „ .	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2 Extortion, as defined in . . „ 388 „ .	..	. .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...
„ 389 „ .	. .	...	...	...	...	...	..		..	.	...	..	...
3 Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in „ 411 „ .	...	...	5	1	13	1	7	2	6	1	6	...	42
„ 412 „ .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...
4 Lurking house-trespass, as defined in „ 443 „ .	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	..	..		...	...	3
5 Ditto by night, as defined in „ 444 „ .	...	...	...	...	2	..	...	...	...	..	...		2
6 House-breaking, as defined in . „ 445 „ .	...	...	...	...	1	...	2		2	...	...	...	5
7 Ditto by night, as defined in „ 446 „ .	...	.	...	...	2	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	7
8 Offence under Section 14, Act III, 1880 . . .	...	.	...	...	...	...	..	...	.	...	...	...	...
TOTAL .	7	...	58	3	80	2	58	6	30	2	16.	1	263

PART II.

Showing Whippings inflicted in addition to other punishments, Sections 3 and 4, Act VI, 1864.

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED	Number of stripes						Total.
	5 and under.	6 to 10.	11 to 15.	16 to 20.	21 to 25.	26 to 30.	
IN ADDITION TO OTHER PUNISHMENTS.							
(Section 3 and 4.)							
A.—Section 3 —							
1. Theft, as defined in . . . . . Section 378, I. P. C.	...	...	2	1	2	1	6
„ 380 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	.
„ 381 „	...	...	...	2	1	1	4
„ 382 „	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
2. Extortion, as defined in . . . . . „ 388 „	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
„ 389 „	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in „ 411 „	...	...	...	1	...	1	2
„ 412 „	...	...	.	...	...	...	...
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in . . . „ 443 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Ditto by night, as defined in . . . . „ 444 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6. House-breaking, as defined in . . . . „ 445 „	...	...	1	1	...	...	2
7. Ditto by night, as defined in . . . . „ 446 „	...	...	...	.	1	...	1
8. Offence under Section 14, Act III, 1880	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
B.—Section 4.—							
1. False evidence, as defined in . . . . Section 193, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 194 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 195 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in „ 211 „ and „ 377 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Assault, as defined in . . . . . „ 354 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Rape, as defined in . . . . . „ 375 „	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
5. Unnatural offence, as defined in . . . „ 377 „	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
6. Robbery, as defined in . . . . . „ 390 „	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
7. Dacoity, as defined in . . . . . „ 391 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Attempt at robbery, as defined in . . . „ 393 „	...	...	...	. .	...	...	...
9. Hurt in committing robbery, as defined in . . „ 394 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in . . „ 413 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 463 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 466 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11. Forgery, as defined in . . . . . „ 467 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 468 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 469 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in . . . „ 443 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13. Ditto by night, as defined in . . . „ 444 „	...	...	...	..	...	...	..
14. House-breaking, as defined in . . . . „ 445 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	..
15. Ditto by night, as defined in . . . „ 446 „	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Total . .	...	...	3	6	4	3	16

PART III

Showing Whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI, 1864, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II.

OFFENCE.	Stripes												Total.
	5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20		21 to 25		26 to 30		
	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	1st Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction	
Jail Act, V of 1871	..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Section 193, Indian Penal Code	...	...	...	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ 323 „ „ „	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ 377 „ „ „	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	...	1	...	2
„ 403 „ „ „	...	..	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ 406 „ „ „	...	...	...	...	1	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	1
„ 414 „ „ „	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	4
„ 426 „ „ „	1	...	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ 429 „ „ „	.	...	1	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	1
„ 447 „ „ „	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total	1	...	7	1	3	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	15

PART IV

Showing relative number of times Whipping was awarded, as compared with other Punishments.

PUNISHMENTS.	Number.	Remarks.
1. Total number of whippings awarded	294	Total number of convicted persons who might have been, but were not, whipped, 1,476
2. Total number of other punishments	10,378	
Percentage of whippings	2·7	

Annual Statement 6—(Criminal).

Statement showing the Result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Province of Assam during the year 1890.

CLASS OF TRIBUNAL		Number of persons											Number of cases		
		Total number of Appellants and Applicants for revision, including pending from previous year	Died, escaped, transferred	Appeals or Applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed	Sentence enhanced	Sentence reduced or order otherwise altered	Reversed	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further enquiry ordered	Referred to the High Court for revision	Total whose cases were disposed of, including entries in colums 4 to 11	Remaining at the end of the year	Preferred during the year	Disposed of during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year
APPEALS.																
To	From															
District Magistrates	Subordinate Magistrates	552	...	21	288	...	93	130	..	.	1	533	19	346	342	12
Courts of Session	Magistrates	921	1	136	391	...	171	196	2	9	...	905	15	539	543	9
	Assistant Judges	...	...	..	.	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...
Superior Courts — by persons convicted	Presidency Magistrates	...	...		...	...	...		. .	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
	Deputy Commissioners acting under Section 34, C P. C.	4	...	1	2		1	...	...	..	...	4	...	3	4	...
	Sessions Judges	58	...	20	5	1	15	7	...	2	...	50	8	36	34	7
Superior Courts — by Government from judgments of acquittal, Section 417	All Courts	. .		...	...	...	...	...	...		...		...		...	..
	Total	1,535	1	178	686	1	280	333	2	11	1	1,492	42	924	923	28
REVISION																
By	Of order of															
District Magistrates	Subordinate Magistrates	83	...	102	169	...	8	10	..	202	7	498	21	201	205	3
Courts of Session	Magistrates	240	...	366	...	...	...	...	13	82	64	525	64	179	175	15
High Court (cases referred for Orders under Sections 432, 438)	Magistrates	74	...	...	28	...	12	25	...	2	..	67	7	34	33	3
High Court cases dealt with under Section 435.	Magistrates	64	...	37	3	...	4	16	...	3	...	63	1	38	37	1
	Courts of Session	10	.	7	...	...		3	...	...	..	10	.	2	2	..
	Total	471*	...	512	200	...	24	54	13	289	71	1,163	93	454	452	22
	GRAND TOTAL	2,006	1	690	886	1	304	387	15	300	72	2,655	135	1,378	1,375	50

Besides these there were 785 accused persons, against whom applications for revision were made These persons, though not shown in this column, are shown in the other columns exhibiting the results of such applications

Annual Statement 7—(Criminal).

Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in the Civil and Criminal Courts in the Province of Assam in the year 1890.

Classes of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed	Established or average number of Jury or Assessor in each case, and prescribed qualification	Number of cases tried by Jury	Number of cases with Assessors	JURY TRIALS					ASSESSORS' TRIALS			Remarks.
				Cases in which the Judge approved of the verdict	Cases in which the Judge did not approve of the verdict		Number of persons of the verdict in respect to whom the Judge disapproved.		Number of cases in which Judges agreed with Assessors	Number of cases in which Judges differed from		
					Wholly	Partially	Whose cases he referred under Sec 307, C P C.	Whose cases he did not refer under Sec 307, C P C		One Assessor.	Both Assessors.	
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, C. P. C } Jurors	Five Jurors	11	...	11	...	.	.		...	...	...	
Courts of Session { Jurors	Five Jurors' and two Assessors, qualification as described in Chapter XXIII, Code of Criminal Procedure.	30	..	24	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	All offences, including abetment and attempts, falling under Chapters VIII, XI, XVI, XVII and XVIII of the Indian Penal Code, are tried by jury in the Assam Valley Districts: other cases in these districts, and all cases in Sylhet and Cachar, are tried with the aid of Assessors.
Courts of Session { Assessors			35		.	...	...	...	27	4	4	
Total	...	41	35	35	3	3	3	...	27	4	4	

Annual Statement 8—(Criminal).

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of European British Subjects in the Province of Assam in the year 1890.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF PERSONS ACCUSED AND BROUGHT BEFORE A MAGISTRATE.								PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF														NUMBER OF CASES					
		WITHIN THE YEAR.							BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATES AND OTHER FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATES.							BY COURTS OF SESSION					BY HIGH COURT.			TOTAL FOR ALL COURTS.						
	Remaining at the close of the previous year.	On complaint, Section 191 (a), Criminal Procedure Code.	On Police Report, Section 191 (b) of the Code.	By Magistrate *suo motu*, Section 191 (c) of the Code.	On transfer from another district or province.	TOTAL.	Died, escaped, or transferred to other Districts or Provinces.	Number actually brought to trial.	Received by transfer under Section 191 B of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed To Court of Session.	Committed To High Court.	Transferred by order under Section 451 B of the Code.	Total omitting entries in columns 10 and 15.	Received by transfer under Section 451 B of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under Section 34B of the Code.	Total exclusive of column 17.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Total.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Total.	Number of persons under trial at the close of the year.	Brought to trial.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court for an order under Section 466 of the Code.	Of those entered in column 5, number who applied under Section 2, Act III of 1884, for transfer or committal of their cases.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court under Section 526 of the Code for the transfer of their cases.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
Contempts of the lawful authority of Public servants, Chapter X	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	..	...	1	.	.	...	1	..	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	1	...	1	1	.	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI — Hurt	...	3	3	...	...	6	...	6	...	4	1	1	.	...	6	.	1	..	...	1	...	...	..	5	1	6	...	6	6	..	...	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI — Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	.	1	1	...	..	2		2		1	1	..	...	...	2	..	.	...	.	..	...	..	..	1	1	2		2	2	..	..	...	...
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI — Criminal force and assault	...	18	1		...	19	...	19		9	10	..	...	..	19	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	9	10	19	...	19	19	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chapter XVII — Cheating	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	..		1	..	.	.	1	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chapter XVII — Mischief	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	..		1	...	..		1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local Laws	...	5	5	14	...	24	...	24	...	15	9	...	...	...	24	...	...	.		.	..		...	15	9	24		23	23	...	...	...	-
TOTAL	...	30	10	14	...	54	..	54	...	29	24	1	...	...	54	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	30	24	54	...	53	53	..	...	...	...

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OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS SHOWN IN							OF CASES SHOWN IN COLUMN 30.	
COLUMN 16.			COLUMN 21.		COLUMNS 21 AND 24.		DISPOSED OF BY MAGISTRATES.	DISPOSED OF BY SESSIONS JUDGES.
Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451A (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number of those in column 33 (1) whose cases were transferred under Section 451 of the Code.	Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, Section 461 (2) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not so claim.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.	Being European British subjects.	Other than European British subjects.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
1	50	...	1	...	...	...	52	...	1	...

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